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Heath steps down after being outvoted by Mrs. Thatcher

LONDON. — Former Prime Minister Edward Heath stepped down as leader of Britain's opposition Conservatives last night after being outvoted by Mrs. Margaret Thatcher in a poll for the party leadership.

Heath, 58, announced he would not be a candidate for the second leadership ballot next Tuesday after his fellow Tories in the House of Commons failed to re-elect him.

Mrs. Thatcher, 49-year-old former Cabinet minister, narrowly failed to get the outright majority needed to take over the leadership.

Heath, leader of the party for 10 years, issued a statement after the balloting:

"It has been a great privilege to serve my party as its leader and my country as its Prime Minister." Then he added "As a result of the first ballot today for the leadership of the Conservative Party I have decided not to stand in the second ballot."

His decision meant that Mrs. Thatcher, Education Secretary in his 1970-74 government and front runner in the first ballot for the party leadership, became more than a remote possibility for Britain's first woman Prime Minister.

In the first of three possible ballots of the 276 Conservative MPs, Mrs. Thatcher edged out Mr. Heath, but not by enough to oust him outright.

She won 130 votes against 119 for Heath and 16 for Hugh Fraser, a one-time Conservative Air Minister. But Heath decided to quit anyhow. So did Fraser.

Heath's decision ended a 10-year rule as leader of the Conservative Party, capped by more than three years as Prime Minister between 1970 and 1974. He himself said his chief achievement was taking Britain into the European Common Market two years ago.

MARGARET THATCHER

The present Labour Government headed by Prime Minister Harold Wilson has challenged that decision and will call the country to vote on it in a referendum in June.

The blonde Mrs. Thatcher, famous in the British press for her smart clothes and ostentatious hats, was her usual cool self when she faced clamouring newsmen after the result had sent a gasp along the corridors of the House of Commons.

New contenders are allowed to enter the second ballot and last night the Conservative Party's chairman, William Whitelaw, announced he would be opposing Mrs. Thatcher.

Under a complicated new set of rules, Mrs. Thatcher needed an absolute majority, or 139, plus a lead of 15 per cent, or 42 votes, to win outright.

She must face a second round of balloting next Tuesday when only an absolute majority is necessary. If no one wins then, a third ballot must be held on February 18 between the three front runners, with a simple majority required to win.

(AP, UPI)

U.S. HALTS ARMS, AID TO TURKEY

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The Ford Administration said yesterday it would comply fully with a Congressional requirement for an embargo on military weapons supplies to Turkey, but it could not agree with Congress on when the embargo takes effect — at midnight last night or at midnight today.

A State Department spokesman said the Administration would end all sales and deliveries of U.S. weapons to Turkey today and that military material not delivered by then would be retained under U.S. control.

State Department officials said they interpreted the law to mean that the embargo, voted by Congress in reprisal for Turkey's use of U.S. weapons in its invasion of Cyprus last July, would go into effect on midnight between February 5 and 6.

However, Congressional sources said the law clearly states that the suspension of the embargo, originally to have taken effect on December 10, expires on February 5, which Congress takes to mean midnight last night.

Defence Department officials said they understood the embargo to mean that as of midnight last night four shiploads of arms, ammunition, and motor vehicles en route to Turkey would be called back or diverted to other ports.

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, who has argued that the arms cut-off could drive Turkey out of the Western alliance implied yesterday that he thought the embargo was to take effect last night.

Asked after a meeting with Congressional leaders whether arms already on order by Turkey could be delivered after midnight tonight, Dr. Kissinger replied:

"I have not studied all the legal positions, but it is my understanding that there can be no deliveries of any military equipment to Turkey."

Russian ammo, parts to Egypt last month

WASHINGTON (AP). — The Soviet Union has delivered military cargoes to Egypt for the first time since last summer, U.S. intelligence sources report. The sources said two Soviet ships unloaded more than 7,000 tons of ammunition and spare parts in Egypt in recent weeks.

These were the first such deliveries since last August when 8,000 tons of spare parts and ammunition for previously supplied Soviet weapons were landed at Alexandria port.

The January shipments included no new equipment, although there have been reports the Russians agreed in December to send some Mig21s and other warplanes promised to the Egyptians before the flow of Soviet weapons was halted in April.

U.S. officials said the recent Soviet shipments of spare parts and ammunition are unlikely to mollify Sadat, who last week negotiated an arms deal with France reported to be worth about $2,300m.

While the Russians have been withholding additional planes and other fresh weapons from the Egyptians, they have been maintaining a steady movement of military equipment to other Arab and African countries.

According to U.S. intelligence, a dozen Soviet cargo ships passed through the Dardanelles last month carrying as many as 90 Mig jet fighters, helicopters, missile-firing boats and other weapons. The sources said these were destined for Syria, Iraq, Somalia, South Yemen, Uganda, and Tanzania, all of which are considered clients of the Soviet Union.

Meanwhile, U.S. intelligence is studying reports that the Russians may supply Libya with about a dozen supersonic TU22 Blinder bombers. Until now, Iraq has been the only Arab country to receive these 1,600 kph. bombers.

Libyan pilots and mechanics are said to have gone to Russia late last year for training in flying and maintaining Blinder bombers.

'New Soviet arms for terrorists'

BEIRUT (AP). — The Soviet Union has agreed to provide Palestinian terrorists with fresh supplies of sophisticated arms, the pro-terrorist newspaper "Al Liwa" reported yesterday.

It said a delegation would visit Moscow soon for talks with Soviet military experts on the final details of the deal.

"Al Liwa" said this agreement was reached during a weekend conference in Damascus between Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and Yasser Arafat, PLO head.

Sadat may not join call for Geneva parley

By ANAN SAFADI
POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat last night implied that he would not join a Soviet-Syrian call for the resumption of the Geneva Middle East conference by the beginning of next month, unless U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's step-by-step approach to the Israel-Arab conflict comes to a standstill by then.

The Egyptian leader said that the current "explosive" situation in the region "needed further defusion" — indicating that he preferred to await the outcome of next week's visit by Kissinger to see whether there could be further disengagements between Israel and the Arabs.

Sadat reiterated that an Israeli withdrawal in Sinai, coupled with pullback on the Syrian and the Jordanian fronts, was a condition for debating the process of a peace settlement at Geneva. He reasserted that he would not conclude a separate accord on non-belligerency with Israel. He declared that progress will have to be etablished on the three Arab fronts within "the next three decisive months."

Sadat made these remarks at the end of a four-hour meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, now on a Middle East tour which earlier took him to Syria. Gromyko was scheduled to leave Egypt today, probably for Iraq.

Sadat concluded his talks with Gromyko by declaring that Cairo and Moscow have just begun a new chapter in their relations. But he cautioned that "some aspects" of these relations remained outstanding pending the forthcoming visit to Cairo of Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev. Sadat said that Brezhnev "is coming," while hinting that Cairo and Moscow were now discussing a new date for Brezhnev's visit which was abruptly called off last month. (See Gromyko admits — Page 5).

Sadat said that he and Gromyko had held a wide-ranging discussion on bilateral relations "in the political, economic and military spheres." He did not elaborate. An official communique was expected to be issued today.

Indications were that the Soviets have agreed to resume "limited" arms shipments to Cairo, as well as to postpone the payments of Egyptian debts to Moscow.

Nevertheless, observers last night expressed the opinion that the accords reached between Sadat and Gromyko have far from normalized Cairo-Moscow relations, strained since the Egyptian leader ousted the Russian military advisers from Egypt in 1972. The observers took special note of Sadat's remark that Soviet-Egyptian understanding was now being established on a "realistic basis." This was taken as a reminder of earlier reports that Sadat might debate with the Soviets the possibility of amending the 15-year "Friendship and Cooperation Treaty" of 1971 which the Egyptian leader feels had tied Cairo too closely to Moscow.

Six hundred students and teachers from Tel Aviv's Levinsky Teachers Seminary took the first move on Monday to hold down the shifting sands at Yamit, in Pithat Rafiah. They planted 1,000 saplings during a tour of the area sponsored by the Jewish National Fund's Teachers Council. (Greenberg—IPPA)

Dabur patrol boat made here

The Ramta Systems and Structures Plant of Israel Aircraft Industries is manufacturing the Dabur patrol boat in Beersheba for the Israel Navy and for export.

The launching ceremony of the 20-metre boat and its presentation to the navy will take place in a few weeks time at a naval base.

The Dabur is a coast guard type boat basically identical to those successfully battle tested and in active service with the Israel Navy. They were effectively employed in defending coastal waters and in attacking enemy targets.

The Dabur is a twin-screw diesel-powered fast patrol boat operated by six crewmen and armed with two 20 mm. cannon as well as machineguns. Its speed is 22 knots an hour, which makes it a highly manoeuvrable vessel capable of rapid attack and swift retreat.

IAI, like several other leading aerospace companies in the world, has applied its technological knowhow to the manufacture of boats over and above aerospace products. The Israeli Dabur was modified to meet the specific requirements of the Israel Navy.

Dabur assembly line at Israel Aircraft Industries

Six, three guards, hurt in demand for more subsidies

Disabled hold rowdy protest

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A cacophony of auto horns, gushing water, broken glass and shouting was heard for hours outside the Knesset last night as 100 disabled persons demonstrated for higher subsidies of their car expenses.

Three Knesset guards were injured by glass splinters when a few demonstrators — on crutches or in wheelchairs — hurled stones at the gatehouse windows. Three disabled were also hurt, including a young man pulled out from under his car by the guards after being told that the vehicle would be hauled away.

The blue-uniformed guards, arming themselves with metal shields and helmets, sprayed demonstrators with fire hoses in an effort to disperse them. (The guards, and not the police, are responsible for the security of the area.)

The protesters, all members of the General Invalids' Association and disabled by congenital diseases and amputation, demand a IL1,200 monthly National Insurance grant on an equal basis with those injured in work accidents. The organization staged a 56-hour takeover of the Treasury's main Jerusalem offices last November, and won a raise in their subsidy from IL93 to IL400.

"Our cars are our legs," said Association spokesman Eli Yitzhak, "and we want to work and not go on welfare. The only way to accomplish anything is by making ourselves heard in demonstrations."

The protest began peacefully at 9 a.m. outside the Treasury yesterday when 20 policemen, many of them veterans of the first demonstration, greeted the protesters in good humour, while barring entrance to the Treasury.

At 3 p.m., a Volvo driven by a paraplegic rammed through a metal barricade and continued unscathed to the parking lot outside the Knesset's Palombo Gate. Several dozen more cars followed, forming a blockade of the Knesset Members' parking lot.

Violence broke out when the protesters learned that Labour Committee chairman Shoshana Arbeli MK opposed the resumption of discussion of the problem by a four-man sub-committee. Mrs. Arbeli noted that the National Insurance Institute will draft a law within six months to determine additional benefits for the disabled by category of distance from work, percentage of disability and size of vehicle. The other three members of the subcommittee, Yoram Eridor, Adi Amorai and Chaike Grossman, are said to be amenable to the suggestion to resume discussion.

The protesters dispersed at 9 p.m. when a delegation of disabled entered the Knesset to meet with Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu.

The only two people who seemed undisturbed by the commotion were a young bride and groom married earlier in the day. Stepping over puddles of water and broken glass, the couple posed in front of the Knesset gate for a traditional picture.

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Foreigners fly out of Asmara

ADDIS ABABA. — About 400 foreigners, mostly women and children, were evacuated yesterday from the Eritrean capital of Asmara, virtually cut off from the outside world after heavy fighting between secessionist guerrillas and Ethiopian troops.

The foreign nationals were flown out of the city to Addis Ababa in a joint British-American rescue operation.

In an attempt to end the rebellion, the military government of Ethiopia offered pardons to all persons in hiding for fear of prosecution on charges of murder, armed robbery and lesser offences. The government gave them until May 8 to surrender.

Asmara had the look of a ghost town yesterday as an uneasy calm settled on the Eritrean capital after four days of heavy fighting. The city of 188,000 people was virtually cut off, and rebel sources said that an Ethiopian armoured convoy was stuck 90 kilometres to the south after guerrillas had blown up a road bridge. The convoy of 52 tanks, 20 armoured vehicles and several troop carriers was on its way from Addis Ababa, 900 kms south of Asmara, to bolster Ethiopian forces.

Early yesterday a huge column of smoke hung over the northern suburbs of Asmara following fighting on Monday, when the city's power station, already damaged, was put out of action and its diesel fuel storage tanks were set on fire.

(Reuter, AP, UPI)

(Eye-witnesses tell their story, page 4)

'Mustn't delay Euro-Arab dialogue'

PARIS (Reuter). — The French and West German Foreign Ministers agree that a dialogue between the European Common Market and Arab countries should no longer be delayed, spokesmen said yesterday.

But the Market partners remain divided on whether to admit the Palestine Liberation Organization as an observer to the consultations.

French and West German government spokesmen yesterday briefed reporters on discussions held on Monday by Foreign Minister Jean Sauvagnargues of France and his counterpart Hans Dietrich Genscher. The two met while President Giscard d'Estaing and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt held their summit.

The nine-nation Community and the 20-nation Arab League last July set up a permanent joint commission to plan long-term economic cooperation. No consultations have yet begun because of difficulties over the PLO.

U.S. Gov't requests $324m. for Israel

Increase from $50m.

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
and agencies

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. administration, altering its position of last spring, asked the Congress yesterday to increase economic supporting assistance to Israel from $50m. to $324.5m. for the current fiscal year ending June 30.

John E. Murphy, deputy administrator of the Agency for International Development, at a hearing by the subcommittee on foreign operations of the House Appropriations Committee, said that "since we formulated the request, significant changes have taken place in Israel's balance of payments situation."

He said Israel's foreign exchange reserves had fallen by more than $800m. "due to sharply rising import prices and the internal economic pressures resulting from the heavy defence burden that must still be carried."

Israel's foreign exchange reserves stand at about $1,000m. which, Murphy said, "is barely enough to pay for two months of military and civilian imports, or roughly six months of civilian imports alone."

He also pointed out that Israel's balance of payments deficit has grown to about $3,500m.

Murphy's position, which seemed to be sympathetically received by the subcommittee, headed by Rep. Otto Passman (D-La.) was endorsed by Alfred Atherton, Assistant Secretary of State for Middle Eastern Affairs.

Murphy's prepared statement also said, "We, of course, continue to support appropriation of the full package requested for the Middle East Arab countries." The Congress must, by the end of this month, act on the foreign aid programme since the authorization measure adopted by the prior Congress in December required appropriation laws to fund the allocations.

Israeli officials in Washington had been concerned that some members of the committee might attempt to decrease the amount to $250m., the same sum which Egypt is earmarked to receive. The administration's recommendation is expected to go a long way in winning support among the congressmen for the greater amount.

The total foreign aid bill for Israel also includes $100m. in grant military assistance, $200m. in military credit sales (loans) and $40m. for the resettlement of Soviet Jews.

Last spring, the administration had merely asked for $50m. in grant economic aid for Israel, but Congress later increased that sum twice, first to $250m. and later to $330.5m., but that sum was finally cut to $324.5m.

Onassis 'fighting for his life'

ATHENS (UPI). — Greek shipping tycoon Aristotle Onassis was seriously ill yesterday suffering from a spreading muscular disease, a friend of the family said. The source said that Onassis — who is 69 — was "fighting for his life" against *myasthenia gravis*, a disease that causes muscular debilitation.

The illness first struck Onassis in November, and was checked with cortisone treatment, but flared up five days ago.

Onassis's wife, Jacqueline, was at his bedside.

KISSINGER TO LEAVE ON SUNDAY

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is expected to leave on Sunday for the Middle East. But informed sources said his first stop will probably be Brussels, where he will meet with representatives from Greece and Turkey to discuss the Cyprus problem.

He will then probably fly to Israel to meet with Prime Minister Rabin and other officials. Thereafter, he is expected to travel to Cairo, Damascus, Amman, Riyadh, before returning to Jerusalem for another round of talks with Rabin.

Kissinger reiterated before a closed session of the House Foreign Affairs Committee on Monday that his Middle East visit will be "exploratory."

Observers said if Kissinger sees that another accord is possible, he may alter his present plans and attempt to work out an arrangement on the spot.

If Kissinger sees that no additional progress can be made by his continued presence in the area, he may organize the beginning of military-level talks between Israel and Egypt somewhere in northern Sinai, similar to the Kilometre 101 talks before last January's Israel-Egypt military disengagement agreement.

Under these circumstances, he may return to the area next month to attempt to bridge the final gap.

According to the participants, Kissinger made these other points during the two-hour hearing:

- The U.S. will continue to support the military balance of power between Israel and the Arabs. He did not attach great importance to the French arms deal with Egypt.
- The U.S. will adopt a sympathetic review of Israel's $2,500m. aid request for the next fiscal year, although he did not specify how much the President might ask Congress to finally approve for Israel.

Portuguese farmers seize land

LISBON (UPI). — Agriculture workers have seized three large farms in the Alentejo region and demanded the right to farm the land as their own, officials said yesterday.

The move, reminiscent of Chile under President Salvador Allende, was led by the Small Farmers League (LPA), which claimed the lands were improperly cultivated by the owners.

The land invasion came less than 24 hours after a Secretary of State for Agriculture reaffirmed the government's plans to expropriate the farms of the large land-owning families in the southeastern region. Esteves Belo told a cheering crowd in the region the move was a great step on the road to land reform, "but that it would not affect the owners of medium-sized farms."

His statement was in line with the platform laid down by the ruling military government, but until now the LPA has not tried to take the initiative without official authority.

In Lisbon, political sources said a decision yesterday by the Social Democratic Party (CDS) to reconvene its national convention later this months despite left-wing threats opened the spectre of more street violence.

The president of the party, Adelino da Amaral, met with Prime Minister Vasco Goncalves to discuss the security arrangement.

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Golan	76	5—11	3—10
Nahariya	63	8—17	7—17
Safad	78	5— 9	3—11
Haifa Port	63	11—16	8—17
Tiberias	35	8—17	8—18
Nazareth	66	7—14	6—15
Afula	69	6—16	4—17
Shomron	69	7—12	5—13
Tel Aviv	61	10—16	8—17
B.G. Airport	58	8—16	7—17
Jericho	52	7—20	8—21
Gaza	85	10—17	8—17
Beersheba	55	7—15	6—17
Eilat	36	8—21	9—22
Tiran Straits	40	13—21	13—22

ARRIVALS

Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, from an Israel Bonds mission in the U.S.

Beate Klarsfeld, to discuss her recent effort to visit various Arab countries.

Peretz Trietel, architect and town planner, from a five-month study tour in Brazil (El Al).

Dr. Lisetta Levi, Vice-President of the Brazilian Art Critics organization, to organize an exhibition of Israel Art.

Rabbi Solomon Reichman, honorary president of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the U.S. and Canada.

Samuel Haber, executive vice-president of the American Joint Distribution Committee, from New York, for the opening of a JDC home for the aged in Afula (by Air France).

Housing planned for Ma'ale Adumim

The Ministerial committee for the development of Ma'ale Adumim, in the Judean Desert midway between Jerusalem and Jericho, decided yesterday afternoon that work should begin immediately on setting up a dwelling encampment at the site.

The committee planned to set up prefabricated housing for 100 workers, but it was not decided how many units would be built for them, or whether their families would also be accommodated there.

Political offer not bribe, defence tells 'Abrasha' trial

TEL AVIV. — A political bribe trial opened here yesterday with the defence attorney arguing that it was not illegal to offer benefits to a municipal councillor to switch parties, in distinction to an offer made for his vote on something like a building permit.

The argument came in the first day of the trial of Labour Party "arranger" Avraham "Abrasha" Aharonsohn, accused of attempting to bribe Moshe Ozer, a Bat Yam councillor, to transfer his allegiance from the Likud to the Alignment. Aharonsohn allegedly offered the councillor the position of deputy mayor, a car with driver, and a sum of money so large that "several families could live on the interest alone."

The defence counsel based his claim on a number of Supreme Court decisions to the effect that a change of political allegiance, even for personal motives, was perfectly valid. He emphasized that the municipalities law does not even mention political parties. He pointed out that a bribe must result in a benefit and claimed that Ozer's switch would have resulted in no benefit to Aharonsohn.

The trial was adjourned. *(Itim)*

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir was yesterday host at a dinner for the directors of the President's Fund. Guests included Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz, Jewish Agency Chairman Pinhas Sapir, Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn, Dr. Ernst Lehmann, Daniel Recanati, Victor Carter, Dr. Reuven Hecht and Yosef Carmel. The President also received the national executive of the Metal, Electric and Electronic Workers Union.

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Wolfgang Burhenne, general secretary of the Interparliamentary Organization on Ecology, yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu and on Interior Minister Yosef Burg.

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Guatemalan Ambassador, Colonel Ramiro Gereda Asturias, yesterday presented to Welfare Minister Michael Hazani a delegation of welfare workers from his country.

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Australian Ambassador Rawdon Dalrymple yesterday called on Absorption Minister Shlomo Rosen.

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U.S. Consul General in Jerusalem, Dan Nastoff, will address the regular luncheon meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club, 1 o'clock today, at the YMCA.

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Les Amities Israel-France, Jerusalem invites the public to a lecture by Gerard Israel, director of Nouveaux Cahiers, on French Public Opinion and the Palestinian Question, on Thursday, February 6 at 6 o'clock at the Van Leer Foundation, Rehov Jabotinski, Jerusalem (bus 15). Mr. Walter Eytan will be chairman. *(Communicated)*

Rabin, Almogi confer again tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Premier Yitzhak Rabin and Haifa Mayor Yosef Almogi are slated to continue tomorrow their discussions on the latter's cooption to the Cabinet without portfolio.

The Premier is due to make an official visit to the northern city. They will have another such opportunity when Rabin comes back a week on Thursday, this time as guest of the Haifa Labour Party branch.

Sources at the Haifa branch said that one cause for the delayed announcement was the need for a formal resolution by the branch to enable Almogi to remain both Mayor and also serve in the Cabinet.

Nof says terms of Free Centre split are final

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Akiva Nof, Knesset Member from the Free Centre Party yesterday firmly denied a claim that no written agreement exists settling a division in his party.

A group led by MK's Eliezer Shostak and Ehud Olmert broke away last week and on Sunday an agreement was signed finalizing the split. Mr. Shostak claimed that the document was only a draft, far short of a final agreement.

Free Centre sources said the Shostak-Olmert group was apparently having second thoughts about the terms of the political divorce agreement. Under the agreement Tamir, Nof and their supporters retained the name of the Free Centre, the electoral symbol (tet) and the affiliate should be ashamed of the Histadrut faction with its political tax.

AHARON YARIV gets a new, initialled briefcase from his former assistants at the Information Ministry at a farewell party held for him yesterday after his resignation. Mr. Yariv's chief aide, Michael Hotzner, hands him the briefcase as the director-general of the ministry, David Farhi, looks on. (Emka)

YARIV RESIGNATION TO BE DEBATED

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Aharon Yariv's resignation from the Information Ministry will be debated in the Knesset this morning. Two hours have been set aside for discussion on the Government statement formally announcing the resignation.

Premier Yitzhak Rabin, who announced the resignation yesterday, said that he "wished to express his regret at Yariv's decision" in his own names as well as for the Government.

The Prime Minister automatically assumes the functions of the Information Minister in the case of a resignation such as this.

Low earners make less than welfare cases

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Low wage-earners take home less than recipients of income support welfare allowances, but this gap will be closed by the coming cost-of-living increment, Labour Minister Moshe Baram promised the Knesset yesterday.

Replying to two urgent motions for the agenda, by Jacques Amir (Alignment) and Meir Cohen (Likud) which were moved to Committee, the Labour Minister said the statutory minimum wage in the economy could not be raised because of the possible chain-reaction.

Baram said that at present one out of every 200 families receives allowances "and I'm not at all sure that they all deserve them."

Amir said that thousands of families prefer to subsist on the brink of starvation rather than "break the barrier of shame and ask for welfare."

Cohen said that a Labour-led Government should be ashamed of the fact that 52,000 families required welfare allotments to exist.

IN BRIEF

HOME HEATING services such as supplied on contract by firms like Thermoil earned between four and five times as much profit, while under Ministry price control than now without it, Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev told Aharon Efrat (Alignment-Mapam) at question-time yesterday.

THE BANK OF Israel will cut credits to the private sector if the Treasury allows a deficit of over IL1,500m. in the next budget, Bank Governor Moshe Sanbar cautioned in the Knesset Finance Committee yesterday.

CINEMA TICKETS won't go up in price, Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev promised Yitzhak Golan (ILP) at question-time yesterday.

NEW IMMIGRANTS heard lectures from Knesset Members of various parties, in the third such study day at the House, organized with the collaboration of the Absorption Ministry.

EXPORT PROFITTABILITY has gone up some 15 per cent in the last year, officials of the Commerce Ministry and the Bank of Israel told the Knesset Economic Committee yesterday. The exceptions were exports with components on which subsidies had been reduced.

I gave my love a needle

HAIFA. — A young woman who brought her imprisoned boyfriend five needles to swallow so he could stay in hospital was yesterday sentenced to seven days imprisonment plus a 45-day suspended sentence by the Magistrate's Court here yesterday.

Yafa Pearlman brought the needles to Yigal Federman, who had already escaped from the hospital once while under guard after he had swallowed two nails. Following his re-arrest, Federman again imbibed a needle and was taken to Rambam Hospital here.

He is accused of swindling Tnuva out of 21,000 empty crates while he was a member of Moshav Bik'ot in the Jordan Valley in 1973.

Miss Pearlman, who told the police that she was Federman's sister, brought the needles hidden in a book. However, the police guard discovered them before the prisoner could use them.

She told the court she brought Federman the needles because she loved him. *(Itim)*

Sakharov appeal to Wilson on prisoners

MOSCOW (AP). — Dissident physicist Andre Sakharov yesterday urged British Prime Minister Harold Wilson, who is due to visit Moscow next week, and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev to intercede on behalf of the Soviet Union's political prisoners.

In a statement issued to Western newsmen, Sakharov listed 23 prisoners, including Vladimir Bukovsky and Valentin Moroz, and a recently imprisoned religious dissident, Georgi Vins.

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ISRAEL WEEKLY LOTTERY 1st PRIZE HALF MILLION
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Soldier and boy killed in road accidents

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — A soldier and a 10-year-old boy were killed in two traffic accidents in Sinai and in the Gaza Strip on Monday.

The soldier was standing at the side of the road near Refidim when two trucks collided. He was hit and fatally injured. His name has not been released.

The boy, Nafez Zorob, of Rafah, was knocked down there and killed by a local tender.

Bandits hit village cafe

NABLUS. — Patrons of a coffee house in Burka village, near here, told police they yielded thousands of pounds to six armed robbers on Tuesday.

They said the six entered the coffee shop, armed with submachineguns, and told the customers to empty their pockets. The robbers then made off by car, they said. *(Itim)*

BASKETBALL

Last night's national league basketball results:

Ramat Gan Hap. 70, G'vat Yagur 69.

Tel Aviv Mac. 115, Afula Hap. 79.

Haifa Hap. 100, Megiddo Hap. 68.

Haifa Mac. 78, Jerusalem Hap. 76.

Demand for dismissal of world ping-pong chief

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Sports Federation is demanding that the 33rd bienniel world table tennis championships, starting in Calcutta on Saturday, should be stripped of their "official" status because of India's refusal to allow the Israel team to enter the country.

It is also calling for the expulsion of H. Roy Evans, the Welsh President of the International Table Tennis Association — sponsors of the week-long meet — because of his failure to insist that Israel be enabled to take part, in accordance with Itta regulations. (India has also banned South Africa from the tournament.)

At the Itta's world congress, beginning in Calcutta tomorrow, these two demands will be put forward by the Netherlands, which has agreed to represent Israel at the gathering of the 110-member organization. The ISF had planned to send its chairman and secretary, Yitzhak Fux and Shmuel Lalkin, so that Israel's case could be presented directly, even if its sportsmen were barred. However, the Indian Government refused them entry visas.

Israel's call to the Itta regarding the status of the Calcutta meet has precedents: In 1967, the International Tennis Federation ruled that the Asian junior tennis championships in Kuala Lumpur would not be counted as official, following protests from the Israel Lawn Tennis Association that its team had been refused entry to Malaysia. Also in the tennis field, when Indonesia last year refused to invite Israel to the Asian amateur championships in Jakarta, the Asian Tennis Federation switched the event to Hongkong in response to official complaints by the Itta.

In both cases, the international body agreed that Israel's exclusion was an intolerable breach of its regulations.

WJC vote for Goldmann shrinking

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

While speakers at yesterday's session of the World Jewish Congress, meeting in Jerusalem, addressed the plenum rather academically on Jewish values in a changing world, the politicians were busy preparing for the vote next week on whether Dr. Nahum Goldmann will continue as president of the organization.

It is believed that Dr. Goldmann will be elected; there is so far no other candidate. But he will not have the near unanimity to which he has been accustomed.

The Liberals, for instance, decided yesterday on the suggestion of Jewish Agency Treasurer Arye Dulzin to leave members free to vote as they feel. Herut are all against Dr. Goldmann, and are frantically in quest of a candidate who would be willing to stand against him at this late hour. The position of the important Labour Zionists is not clear although the faction decided last week to support Dr. Goldmann for half a term. Some believe the choice of candidate is not at all important, as the congress would be a different sort of organization if it were ruled by an 11-man presidium, instead of by Dr. Goldmann alone. The vote on this amendment to the WJC constitution will be taken tomorrow.

Ya'akov Tsur, chairman of the Jewish National Fund, went on record yesterday as saying he did not think the Labour Zionist movement should support Dr. Goldmann. In a letter to Yitzhak Korn, head of this party's delegation, Tsur said he knew from personal experience that the consensus of Jewish communities in the Diaspora is diametrically opposed to Dr. Goldmann's views. He could not believe that there is no other possible candidate, nor that the President must not be a permanent resident of Israel.

Mr. Tsur sent a copy of the letter to Dr. Goldmann himself, to stress that his opposition is a matter of principle, not of personality.

In other dealings at the congress yesterday, the Black Panthers obtained a promise that the problem of the social gap in Israel will be discussed in a committee with Dr. Israel Katz, former head of the National Insurance Institute and the Prime Minister's Commission on Disadvantaged Youth.

The youth circles of different parties yesterday voiced a demand for a special commission on youth. The request is likely to be approved.

Maki, the Israel pro-Zionist Communist Party, participating in the WJC for the first time, issued a statement calling on the Soviet authorities to allow Russian Jews to attend the congress. "Every progressive person must recognize the universality of the Jewish people, and the affinity between Jews all over the world and the State of Israel," the statement said.

A problem which apparently worries many of the congress participants is the nature of the relations between Israel and the Jews of the Diaspora. Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, president of the American Jewish Congress, argued that "in politics we are Jews." The notion that Jews could live as Frenchmen or socialists had been shattered, he said.

Rabbi Hertzberg said it was scandalous that young Jews in the Diaspora have no opportunity for "Jewish service" while the youth of Israel must give several years of their lives to service in the army.

Other speakers yesterday included former Foreign Minister Abba Eban; Lord Chalfont, former British Minister of State in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office; Philip Klutznik, former world president of B'nai B'rith, and Prof. Raymond Vernon, director of the Centre for International Affairs at Harvard University.

Micro-surgery offers hope for repairing severed nerves

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The latest surgical techniques for repairing severed nerves and blood vessels will be demonstrated at a workshop beginning later this week at the Sheba Medical Centre. Forty local surgeons are expected to take part in the microsurgery workshop, the first of its kind in this country.

The workshop will be conducted by Dr. Michael Lewin and Dr. Abraham Daniels, both associated with the Albert Einstein Medical College of New York. Dr. Lewin told a press conference here that microsurgery offers the possibility of restoring functional continuity to nerves and small blood vessels.

Until microsurgery, the traditional method of dealing with a severed nerve was to suture the outside sheath of the nerve. This was akin to repairing a telephone cable and disregarding the hundreds of wires that make up the cable and carry the signals. With microsurgery, surgeons working with a microscope can now suture the individual "wires" so to speak, or more technically "fasciculi." This sort of suture, combined with certain grafting procedures, provide a better chance of survival for the nerve than was previously the case. The second major aspect of microsurgery concerns itself with the blood vessels, the re-establishment of continuity in small blood vessels, 1 millimetre or less.

Dr. Lewin noted that procedures for operations have been known for some years, but they were generally so time consuming and complicated that they were discarded. With the use of microscope, the surgeon now can carry out these procedures.

Needed: Policy for the handicapped

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Existing legislation on the rights of the disabled is a patchwork of 17 separate laws, plus hundreds of amendments and regulations. There is no basic philosophy. But there is a crying need for unification and simplification.

Dr. Uriel Procaccia, who lectures on commercial law at the Hebrew University, is doing something about this problem, which was highlighted by yesterday's demonstration of hundreds of handicapped at the Treasury in Jerusalem. In cooperation with Dr. Arie L. Miller, Dr. Procaccia has prepared a 168-page survey of the existing law together with suggestions for reform. He is circulating an extract of his proposals among members of the relevant Knesset committees.

"The basic trouble," Dr. Procaccia told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday, "is that our legislators always passed new *ad hoc* laws as differing groups, dissatisfied with the existing law, applied pressure." The Knesset never had time to work out a basic philosophy for its laws. As a result there are different regulations for disabled soldiers, victims of work accidents, victims of Nazi persecution and of persons injured fighting the Nazis. Compensation varies for Knesset guards, firemen, policemen, and for religious girls doing their national service instead of serving in the army.

Some laws gauge compensation by the percentage of physical disability; others go by the loss of earning capacity. Some people confined to wheelchairs are not considered handicapped at all by the law — because they are able to earn a living. Hardest hit are those handicapped as a result of a childhood disease, such as polio. Under the economic measuring stick, they are entitled to compensation if they have lost at least 50 per cent of their earning capacity. But since they never established such a capacity — they are not covered at all.

Only recently, the Knesset passed the General Invalidity Insurance Law, which was a step forward, because it grants compensation to the handicapped not previously covered. Dr. Procaccia stands squarely behind yesterday's demonstrators. Although their car allowances were recently upped from IL90 to IL400 a month, he thinks that they should get about IL1,000, plus rebates on their car insurance.

Another basic question is whether rich and poor handicapped should receive the same benefits from the State. "Our legislation is undecided on the issue and has never faced the problem squarely," he says. My stand is that every handicapped person is entitled to something, but that a means test should determine who needs more and who needs less. Present means tests are not sufficient, he adds.

Dr. Procaccia, 31, is a graduate of the Hebrew University and the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Miller, 56, is only two years in the country and in his native Rumania was head of the department of labour law and social security.

Foreign service appointments

Pinhas Eliav has been named Deputy Permanent Representative at the Israel Mission to the United Nations, with the title of Ambassador.

Eliav, who will relieve Ya'acov Doron this summer, has worked for the Foreign Ministry since 1949 at diplomatic posts in Washington, Montreal, New York, and Brussels. For the past six years he has headed Jerusalem's International Organizations Division for Political Affairs.

Nahum Astar will fill the post of Consul General in Atlanta, Georgia. Now Director of the Division for Official Guests in the Jerusalem Ministry, he will leave for the U.S. in the spring. Astar has served in two American Consulates, and as Consul General in Australia and New Zealand. From 1965 to 1970 he was Ambassador to Liberia.

Mart meets Comecon

MOSCOW (Reuter). — Officials of the Common Market and Comecon met here formally yesterday for the first time to discuss how the two communities might start to cooperate after 15 years of ignoring each other.

In deep sorrow, I announce the passing of my beloved daughter

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(née Motulsky)

The funeral will leave today, Wednesday, February 5, 1975, at 2.30 p.m. from the Assuta Hospital, for the Holon Cemetery. A bus will be available for those attending the funeral. Please refrain from condolence visits.

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You can now phone your suspicions to the police

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The furtive glance, the back alley encounter, the urgent message hoarsely whispered — in short, all the romance of being a police informer appears to be headed for oblivion. As of today anyone in Jerusalem with information which would interest the guardians of the law need only dial 271166 and deliver it into a tape recorder on the other end.

The new telephone information service — this one with the public providing the information — was announced yesterday at a press conference by Michael Bochner, head of the Special Duties Division at national police headquarters. If there is any other country in the world with a similar programme, he said he has not heard of it.

The idea for the service, Bochner said, came from a realization derived from several police surveys that a great mass of information about criminal activities is possessed by citizens who do not pass it on to the police. The reasons they do not are numerous — unwillingness to get tied up in a time-consuming process, fear of retribution, uncertainty about where to give the information and that old standby, unwillingness "to get involved."

The telephone tipster service permits anonymity. The person dialling 271166 will hear the recorded voice of a woman police officer informing him that he has 90 seconds to speak after he hears the dial tone. "It would be appreciated if you would give your full name, address and telephone number with the promise that it will be kept secret," the officer says. However, Bochner said that the person need not provide that information if he prefers not to. "Naturally, we will treat anonymous information with suitable caution," he said.

Persons who want to report a possible bomb or a man perched on an upper-storey ledge would be better off dialling the regular police emergency number — 100 — since the tape at 271166 will be listened to by a police officer only once a day.

(In addition to getting a live policeman at the other end, persons who dial 100 get the call free.)

M. Bochner said he did not want 271166 used by persons to register complaints but only to pass on information. In other words, if the man across the street has backed into your car, 271166 isn't interested. If he has a back yard full of stolen building material, it is.

"I don't want to create an instrument for informing," Bochner said. "I want to open a direct communication link to the public." He said he fully expected the tape recorder to receive calls consisting of curses, songs or random observations on the passing scene. But if it also picks up some genuine information, it will be worth the experiment. "We'll give it a month or two. If it proves itself, we'll introduce it elsewhere, starting with the other cities. I'm convinced that there's much information in the hands of the public that would interest us."

For veteran informants irked by the sterility of the new system, there is nothing to prevent you making the call from a public phone on a windy corner with coat collar turned up. You have 90 seconds.

'Peddling licences no solution for Tel Aviv welfare cases'

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The granting of peddling permits can in no way be considered a proper solution for welfare cases, the Municipal Committee said yesterday. In his report on the 1973-74 fiscal year, the Comptroller, Aluf (res.) Zvi Ayalon, noted that municipal administrations have too often used the handing out of peddling licences as a way of getting rid of bothersome social problems.

"We must regard peddling from the point of view of what is good for the city and its residents. The good of the general population need not always be in conflict with the solution of social problems, but peddling must never be regarded as an instrument for solving such problems," the Comptroller said.

Mr. Ayalon said that many peddlars are permitted to operate without holding official licences: some are veterans in the business, who are overlooked by municipal inspectors because of the *status quo*, while others are allowed to operate because of intervention by elected municipal officials. Such oral permits, he went on, may be passed on from one person to another, and even to lead to market "strongmen" taking over a number of stands and operating them through hired vendors. The stands are often eyesores and constitute sanitary and traffic hazards, he added.

He suggested that the city form a commission which would issue written permits to all eligible pedlars, and then crack down on those operating without a licence. "The inspectors must not engage in any interpretations or allow for exceptional cases," he wrote.

Mayor Lahat commented that his administration who took over towards the end of the period surveyed has taken legal measures to assure that peddling does not spread. Periodic raids are mounted to remove peddlers who have illegally entrenched themselves in certain streets he said. (Most of the Comptroller's report dealt with the last months of the Rabinowitz administration.)

Among the Comptroller's other findings is that 14 per cent of the city's welfare recipients are paid too much according to criteria set up by the Ministry of Welfare. In 68 per cent of the cases the allotments were adequate, while in 3.5 per cent it was below ministry recommendations.

The Comptroller also found that many complaints from the public about the Municipal Building Licence Department were justified.

The Comptroller claimed that the city lost hundreds of thousands of pounds in the last few years because it failed to check the incomes of some 1,200 restaurants and food stands whose taxes are determined by their turnover. In about half of the restaurants, city estimates of income remained unchanged during the boom years between 1969 and 1973, he said.

Supersol cuts meat prices

The Supersol supermarket chain is today marking down meat and fish prices by 15 to 20 per cent.

The discount, which includes meat, fish, salads and sausages, will continue for 10 days. The concern indicated that this is part of a general reduction of prices for the month of February.

Union permits suspension of T.A. city moonlighters

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Municipal Employees Union will take no action against the Municipality for the suspension of the two employees caught by private detectives moonlighting on city time.

The use of the detectives had elicited protests from the union and it is boycotting the city disciplinary court, making it impossible for the Mayor to bring proceedings against the two. Teddy Kaufman, chairman of the union, said it has received no official notice of the suspension, but regulations do not oblige a mayor to obtain the union's approval for such a step.

However, Mayor Shlomo Lahat might decide to call a Council session and vote on the dismissals there. This, Kaufman said, would be unacceptable to the union, which, he says, must give its approval.

Mr. Lahat has said he might turn the case over to the police as there may be legal elements involved. The two were caught punching their time clocks dutifully and then promptly walking out of the town hall — one to sell insurance policies and the other to run a football pools station.

Mr. Kaufman said if the city took the matter to the police, the union will not interfere. The municipal spokesman says the easiest way to deal with the offenders would be to bring them before the municipal disciplinary court, but, as the union is making this impossible, other courses of action have to be considered.

This is the result of the explosion in a bus parked near Binyenei Ha'ooma, Jerusalem, yesterday. (Yisraeli)

Bomb damages empty bus in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A bomb exploded in an empty bus in Jerusalem at midday yesterday and a bomb in another bus was discovered and safely dismantled. There were no injuries in either incident.

At 2 o'clock, a bomb exploded in an empty number 9 bus in the Egged parking field near Binyenei Ha'ooma. It had shortly before completed a run from Mount Scopus. The rear of the bus was wrecked.

Ten minutes earlier, a suspicious package was spotted by a boy on the number 25 bus which had originated in Neve Yaacov. The bus, by then in Jaffa Road in the heart of the city, pulled over to the side and the driver called the police. A sapper arrived in a few minutes and dismantled the bomb which consisted of half a kilogram of explosives linked to batteries and a watch. Bus traffic was detoured to side streets for a while.

On Sunday, a small explosive device went off in a number 4 bus also starting in East Jerusalem. Two passengers who were slightly injured were sent home after receiving first aid treatment. In two other incidents in Jerusalem this week, explosive devices were discovered in a Neve Yaacov apartment house and in a kerosene heater left in Jaffa Road. Both were safely dismantled.

A police spokesman last night called for continued public alertness regarding suspect persons or objects. Any object left unattended in public places — even items like toys, shopping bags or loaves of bread — could be regarded as suspect, he said.

The Jerusalem Merchants Association has asked all its members to check the area in front of their stores several times every day, to ascertain that no suspicious objects have been planted there.

An Egged official in Jerusalem said last night that drivers check all buses at the end of the run.

Bichonski gives his version of Rahel Heller's last day

HAIFA. — Yoram Bichonski, who was released on IL10,000 bail by the Magistrate's Court here on Monday after being held in connection with the murder of Rahel Heller, yesterday released a journal, written during his 45 days in detention, purporting to give details of the hours before and after the murder.

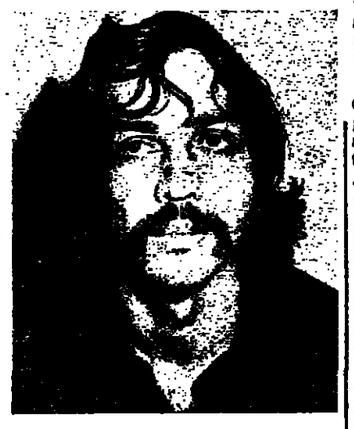
Bichonski, who lost a leg in the Yom Kippur War, gave the journal to Itim. He writes that Rahel Heller came to his home on the evening of October 22. The two went to a restaurant near his home and ate "a lavish dinner" which included mushrooms in cream and steak with a wine sauce, for which Yoram paid IL60.

Rahel stayed with him that night, the journal states, and prepared breakfast for him in the morning. At this point one of Yoram's two cats, Oedipus, died, and Yoram asked Rahel to dispose of the carcass for him, which she did.

The girl then put on the white shorts and green blouse which were later found near her body, and went to a ballet lesson. Following the lesson, the journal indicates, he took her to the soldier's hitchhiking stop on the road to Haifa.

The journal specifies that they reached the station at 5.49 p.m. It continues that the area was well lit and two soldiers were waiting there. This, he indicates, was the last time he saw her.

The following day, the journal indicates, Yoram took Mazal Mizrahi, who had also been detained in connection with the case, to the Beit Ruthenberg soldiers' hostel where they were to attend a party



YORAM BICHONSKI

Rachel attended. He was told she for the completion of a course Rahel attended. He was told she was missing and ascertained that Rahel had arrived there by discerning that her ballet tights, used in the lesson the day before, were lying on her bed. He then accompanied the commander of the course to the police to inform them of her disappearance.

He and the commander were taken to the Hadera police station where he was shown a picture of Rahel's nude body as it was found near Caesarea beach. He identified the picture, but refused to go and identify the body itself in the Pathological Institute. *(Itim)*

Not enough work at Haifa Port, too much at Eilat

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Work in Haifa Port yesterday was down to a new, and for the citrus season, unprecedented low, with only 23 gangs of stevedores engaged in loading and discharging eight freighters, in the two shifts, one-third the usual winter work force. The majority of the port's 1,500 men were idle and no more work is expected today.

Meanwhile, the congestion in Eilat Harbour is continuing due to an acute shortage of stevedores which has not yet been overcome, and the shipping companies are still collecting the 10 per cent congestion surcharge on all cargoes, which was first imposed on September 23.

Yesterday, the first exports in containers were loaded at Eilat, on the Zim container ship Lilit. Though this costs the exporters more, "it does at least assure them delivery dates and is therefore welcome. "Containerization may be the only solution to the Eilat labour shortage," the secretary of the Shippers Council, Arieh Mehulah, told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The Council reached agreement with the British Shipping Conference yesterday on the increase in its freight charges to Haifa and Ashdod. The Conference had refused to delay the increase until April 1, as Zim and the other conferences had done, and asked for a 19.5 per cent rise from February 1. Yesterday it was agreed that the rise would be 10 per cent only, starting February 15.

Shazar prizes for students

High-school graduates and candidates for higher degrees can benefit from prizes in memory of the late Zalman Shazar, third President of the State.

The Zalman Shazar Centre for the Furtherance of the Study of Jewish History announced recently that high school students who choose the option of writing a paper in the field of Jewish History (in lieu of matriculation exams) will be eligible for scholarships from the estate of the late president.

The Centre is also granting a prize for rhetoric for which doctoral and masters candidates will be eligible.

Jerusalem Day fetes one day early

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem Day, marking the liberation of the Old City in 1967, will be celebrated this year on Thursday, May 8, instead of the following day, the actual anniversary according to the Hebrew calendar, so as to prevent the desecration of Shabbat.

The Jerusalem Municipality announced the change after receiving a detailed explanation of the halacha by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren. He ruled that the public celebrations should take place on the Thursday, the 27th day of Iyar, but that special prayers, including the *hallel*, should be recited on the Friday, Jerusalem Day.

THE ISRAEL LANDS Authority on Monday set aside 11,500 dunams north of Eilat for an international airport. The present airport is not adequate for international flights and is due to be closed.

A CEMENT MIXING plant in Petah Tikva was closed by court order yesterday after the municipality complained that the Tadir plant had damaged the adjoining highway and the entire area with its emissions of harmful substances.

T.A. parents sanction the slap

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—Parents too sometimes feel a slap is good for a child, and among them is the head of the Tel Aviv Parents' Association.

Mr. Nathan Wolloch issued a statement siding with the Jaffa teacher who slapped a pupil in class and is now appealing against a court conviction.

Mr. Wolloch said that the Association "by no means advocates corporal punishment," but agrees there may well be situations in which a slap is justified.

He said that he plans to initiate a meeting between parents' and teachers' representatives to clear up what he calls "the unwholesome atmosphere which has recently clouded parent-teacher relations. Both groups should work jointly to root out the phenomena of attacks by irate parents on teachers," he said.

The Jaffa case involved veteran teacher Tuvia Drori who was fined IL50 for slapping a pupil at Jaffa's Shivtei Yisrael school over a year ago. Refusing to pay the fine, the teacher said that he would rather serve a five-day jail term. The teachers' union has engaged Shmuel Tamir, MK, to handle his appeal.

The court conviction outraged teachers around the country. They said lawmakers are ignorant of the situation in the classroom, which is being invaded by the permissiveness and lack of discipline of the street.

The parents argue that the whole issue should not be regarded with legalistic pedantry but with common sense — and that there may be very good sense in a slap when no other means prevail upon disruptive pupils.

Seeking norms for defence contracts

The Defence Minister has appointed a committee to look into profits earned by agents and contractors on defence deals.

The committee has been given three months to lay down criteria for profits on such deals. Ernest Japhet, who will chair the committee, will be aided by Aluf (res.) Yosef Geva, Aluf-Mishne (res.) Nahum Sarig and Yitzhak Mann.

(Our Economic Editor comments—page 8)

GAZA STRIP police confiscated 130 grams of hashish in El Bureg and Rafiyah yesterday and arrested three persons.

Transmitters hit by strike

Communication Ministry engineers last night prevented radio broadcasts from 8.05 to 9 p.m. and TV broadcasts from 8.00 to 8.30 in protest against an alleged breach of contractual promises to them by the Ministry. They did not specify the nature of these promises, and Ministry representatives denied that any promises had been broken.

The engineers had originally planned to prevent all transmissions between 8 and 9 p.m. But the Jerusalem Labour Court in the afternoon ruled that the 8 p.m. radio news and the 8.30 Television Mabat news programme must go on.

Since all radio and TV transmission towers are operated by the Communications Ministry, a strike of the engineers paralyzes all broadcasts. During past strikes the engineers have exempted certain transmitters from their strike and thus made it possible for broadcasts to continue.

Int'l group won't intervene in Ramallah trial

By LILI BAT AHARON

BRUSSELS. — A request for an "intervention of solidarity" on behalf of a journalist being tried in Ramallah has been turned down by the International Federation of Journalists (IFJ).

The request from the Prague-based International Journalists' Organization, an East European body parallel to the IFJ, asked for help for the "important Jordanian journalist Bashir Barguti," charged with espionage for the terrorist Palestine National Front. Barguti pleaded not guilty when his trial began last month in Ramallah but said he was a member of the Communist Party.

Theo Bogaerts, head of the IFJ, an international journalists' trade union organization based in Brussels, made inquiries into the case and said he was reliably informed that Barguti is not a journalist, but a merchant. As the IFJ deals only with journalists, it is not planning to intervene.

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Hoummus – Tehina 1 kg.	11.50	9.90
Regular Peas "Yachin Assis" 560 gr.	2.15	1.95
Baked beans "Heinz"	4.20	3.60
Real Mayonaise "Mata" 200 gr.	3.22	2.75
American Flavour cheese "Mata" 1 kg.	20.-	16.50
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Pineapple 420 gr.	4.50	2.85

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Orange is the answer

Colds and coughs can be cut, says U.K. report

LONDON (UPI). — Forget about that apple a day and go to the orange for health salvation. That's the advice from Prof. Geoffrey Taylor in a report to the British Health Ministry.

Taylor said in his report yesterday that the latest research findings leave little doubt that the Vitamin C contained in an orange can cut winter colds and coughs by 25 to 30 per cent.

"This could be worth hundreds and possibly a thousand million pounds a year to the country in saving lost work time. The fact is that many people don't take anything like this amount. They hardly eat oranges or other fruit. Most people have green vegetables only twice weekly, and many of the vegetables they eat in canteens have been overcooked and the Vitamin C lost."

He said that 10 per cent of the British population currently consumes less than half of the recommended level of Vitamin C, especially during the winter months of February and March.

Toll in Thailand floods now 249

BANGKOK (AP). — The death toll in Thailand's worst flooding last month rose to 249 as relief workers found 10 more bodies buried in mud and piles of logs, the Southern Thailand Flood Relief Centre reported yesterday.

Forty-nine persons still are missing, and the relief centre in Nakhon Sithammarat said others might have been swept away into rivers and canals and would not be easily found.

110 states meet in Dakar

Third World meets to consider cartel plan

DAKAR, Senegal (UPI). — The world's developing countries yesterday began planning collective action to use their natural resources to change global trading patterns.

Senegal President Leopold Senghor formally opened the "conference of developing countries on raw materials" with a demand that present terms of trade be changed.

"For too long the advanced nations have been favoured," Senghor said. "We in the Third World have to use our natural resources to break the traditional patterns of world trade.

"Only through concerted action can the Third World achieve the changes desired by the great majority of humanity."

The 110 developing states which have gathered here to discuss trade strategy have invited three "outsiders" as observers—Austria, Finland and Sweden.

An introductory conference statement said: "Developing countries must change their traditional approach to negotiations with the developed countries, hitherto consisting of the presentation of a list of requests and an appeal to political good will, which in reality was seldom forthcoming."

"To achieve this change, the developing countries must take common action to strengthen their negotiating position."

A main aim of the conference is to draw up strategy for a meeting in Geneva — beginning next Tuesday — of the commodities division of the U.N. Trade and Development Organization (Unctad). The developing states plan to put formal demands to the industrialized states at that meeting.

Neutral observers in Dakar said that there is some conflict between demands of the radical groups of Third World nations, led by Algeria, and the "moderates," headed by Yugoslavia. The radical group wants developing countries to establish cartels for all primary products in the same way as the oil-producing states in Opec.

The moderates believe this will create fresh problems.

'Danger: smokers at work'

LONDON (UPI). — The cigarette smoker not only hurts himself, but he may be harming all the non-smokers around him. Two British researchers reported this finding in the latest issue of the medical weekly "The Lancet."

Dr. M. Russell of the addiction research unit of Maudsley Hospital and Dr. C. Feyerabend of the poisons unit at New Cross Hospital said they found nicotine in the blood and urine of non-smokers exposed to the exhalations of smokers.

"Non-smokers, besides experiencing annoyance and acute irritation to the eyes and respiratory passages," they said, "also absorb carbon monoxide and nicotine. Passive smoking may be harmful, and infants are most at risk."

The report added that as a result of inhaling the smoke of others, "most urban non-smokers have measurable amounts of nicotine in their body fluids for most of their lives. It is derived from the indoor air they breathe and it requires no more than one or two smokers to contaminate a vehicle or building."

U.S. acts; $ rises

BRUSSELS (UPI). — Concerted intervention by the U.S. Federal Reserve Board and European banks drove the American dollar up sharply on European foreign exchanges yesterday.

Gold opened unchanged in Zurich at $176.75 and fell 50 cents in London, opening at $175.75.

Bankers in Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam said the central banks intervention gave the dollar a boost in the face of declining U.S. interest rates and other adverse factors holding the currency in the grip of a six-week slump.

On Monday, the West German federal bank bought $23m. to shore up the currency. The Swiss national bank also bought dollars.

London dealers said the U.S. reached a secret agreement with the Swiss and West German central banks over the weekend to support the dollar. The dealers said it was apparent that this time, the monetary authorities meant business, and that they would not allow the dollar to weaken too much.

Jubilant Indians quit estate

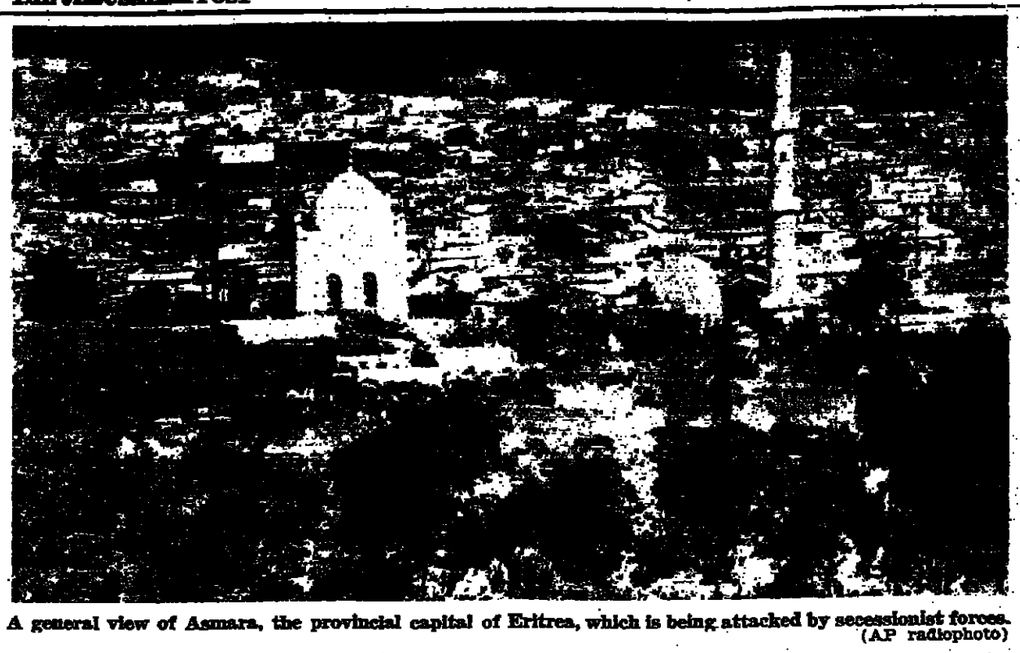
GRESHAM, Wisc. (AP). — About 40 victorious American Indians and supporters who included Marlon Brando surrendered to authorities late Monday after occupying an abandoned Roman Catholic estate by force of arms for 34 days.

The Indians surrendered following an agreement by the Alexian Brothers religious order to transfer the 225-acre estate to the Menominee Tribe as a health and educational facility. The order had earlier tried to sell the property to the tribe for $750,000.

A mediator, who accompanied the Indians who were bussed from the mansion to jail, said they were handcuffed without protest. He said they were jubilant.

An attorney for the Indians said the agreement under which the estate would be given to the tribe included a promise that the Indians would be turned over to county authorities. There was no word on whether the authorities would bring charges.

Two persons were wounded by gunfire during the lengthy takeover, which was marked by antagonism between Indians and local white residents.



A general view of Asmara, the provincial capital of Eritrea, which is being attacked by secessionist forces. (AP radiophoto)

'Everyone was shooting at anything that moved'

ADDIS ABABA (UPI). — "People were being shot down indiscriminately all over the place," John Hoover of Honolulu said yesterday after being evacuated from Asmara, in Eritrea. "It's real war up there."

Hoover, 32, a technical representative, said: "As we left there was no water and no electricity. Only a little food. If you've seen Vietnam, then you know what I'm talking about."

The American Embassy and Canadian and European embassies urged all the 200 evacuated in three flights not to speak to newsmen. They said it might jeopardize people who had decided to stay in Asmara.

A typical response among the evacuees came from an American mother holding two small children. "I'd rather not say anything at this stage," she said. "My husband is still in Asmara."

After registering with various embassies here, most people were checked into a hotel. Many said they planned to fly to Europe and the U.S. in the next few days.

One British businessman said: "We saw soldiers shooting at people all over the place. We just stayed indoors and hoped for the best. There was no water and electricity in the last couple of days.

"The worst day was Friday, when the rebels first came into the city. It was just chaos. No one knew what was happening. Everyone was shooting at anything that moved."

A mother of two children from Toronto, who refused to give her name, said: "I was caught in the crossfire on Friday night as I was walking home from the club. I had to shelter in a doorway for several hours until the shooting died down."

Another Canadian said he took shelter with 11 other companions "in what we thought was the safest apartment in town. We soon changed our mind when the building was peppered with mortar rounds and small-arms fire."

Mr. J. Barnet, from the British Council, said: "bullets were going off all over the place. An Italian friend of mine was shot three times, but he still survived. There was a lot of indiscriminate shooting and looting."

PLO man didn't show up

VIENNA (UPI). — The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) did not attend the opening yesterday of a UN legal conference, the first UN conference to which it was invited.

The PLO was invited to send an observer to the six-week conference called to draw up a convention on the relationship of government missions and delegations to international organizations. A chair reserved for the observer was vacant as Deputy UN Secretary-General Erik Suy opened the conference in the ballroom of the Habsburg's Hofburg Castle here.

"They did not even RSVP," a UN spokesman said.

"Perhaps they will show up later," the spokesman said. "Or perhaps they are not interested in a conference devoted to technical, legal questions."

The spokesman said the invitation to the PLO was sent out automatically along with invitations to UN members in line with the recent UN decision to invite recognized liberation movements to international conferences.

Of the various liberation movements invited, only the Pan-African Congress of Tanzania showed up, the spokesman said.

Lisbon party defies left

LISBON (UPI). — The Social Democratic Party (CDS) said yesterday it will reconvene its national convention despite threats of further left-wing violence.

The last time the party tried to meet —11 days ago—armed demonstrators besieged the 600 delegates and about two dozen foreign observers inside the convention hall in Porto for more than 14 hours. Before the mob was finally dispersed, 17 persons, including five policemen, had been injured.

The incident created a major diplomatic flurry because the trapped foreigners included several leading European politicians and diplomats.

The CDS spokesman said he hoped the government would offer the party better protection. However the precise date and location of the meeting would not be announced in advance "for security reasons."

Patty Hearst in 'new kidnap'

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI). — A man claims he was kidnapped by fugitive Patricia Hearst in a Hollywood car park last Friday, four days before the first anniversary of her abduction by the Symbionese Liberation Army.

Edward Carr, 32, said a black woman pressed a gun into his ribs and forced him to open the door of his car. After she got in the car he looked up and saw another black woman and a person he was certain was Pattie Hearst.

Carr said the two black women referred to the white girl as "Patty." Miss Hearst was given the revolutionary name of "Tania" by her kidnappers.

The three women made him drive several miles around Hollywood, ordered him to pull to the side of the road, got out and walked away.

Miss Hearst was last heard from when she sent a message to a Los Angeles radio station on June 7, saying she would fight on with the SLA members who were left after a shoot-out with Los Angeles police in May.

Quake rattles Peking

PEKING (Reuter). — A four-second tremor shook Peking last night, rattling furniture and windows but apparently not causing serious damage or casualties.

K. proposal on oil will dominate Paris talks

PARIS. — U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's new proposal for an oil price floor will dominate a three-day meeting of the world's leading industrialized countries opening here today.

Dr. Kissinger called on America's partners to set a minimum price for oil both to protect the substantial investments they are making in new energy sources and possibly to force oil producers to cut their prices.

The American proposals will be thrashed out at a meeting of the governing board of the 16-nation International Energy Agency set up within the 24-nation Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. One aim of the agency is to coordinate the views of Japan and most of the Western industrial powers before talking to the oil-producing states.

The meeting of oil-consuming nations comes soon after an Opec session in Algiers and as France prepares to issue invitations to oil-producing and consuming states plus developing nations to join in preparatory talks for a major conference to solve the world energy crisis.

West Germany yesterday became the first country to publicly announce that it will accept the French invitation. The announcement followed a meeting between French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt.

French government spokesman Andre Rossi told newsmen other countries have accepted but "it is not possible to give their names" because negotiations were continuing. Rossi refused to say whether the U.S. was one of these countries. Washington has expressed a preference for a world conference of only oil-producing and consuming countries, and not including developing nations as France wants.

(Reuter, UPI)

Habash wants 'full-scale war of liberation'

BEIRUT (AP). — The head of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, George Habash, has called on Egypt, Syria and Lebanon to give a part of their territories for use by a Palestinian army that would mount a "full-scale liberation war" against Israel.

"I don't think these countries will refuse to provide us with the land necessary to establish a liberation army," Habash said in an interview published by the Beirut newspaper "Al Bayrak" yesterday.

Habash said the army "should not be a conventional one, but a fighting army, an army that would fight on until total liberation of Palestine is accomplished."

Habash's statement made it clear he considers the existing 7,000-man Palestine Liberation Army under the command of Arafat's PLO unfit for a liberation war.

BRIDGE — GEORGE LEVINREW

A Vienna coup is missed

Love All

North (D)
♠ Q 10
♡ 7 5 4
◇ Q J 5
♣ A K 9 6 3

West
♠ K 6 4
♡ 10 8 3 2
◇ 10 7 6 5
♣ Q 10

East
♠ J 8 5 3
♡ Q 6
◇ 9 3 4 2
♣ 8 5 2

South
♠ A 9 7 2
♡ A K J 9
◇ A K
♣ J 7 4

The Bidding:

North	South
1 ◇	2 NT
3 NT	6 NT

The opening 1 ◇ bid was a Precision bid. North did not have 16 points for a 1 ♣ opening, nor four cards in a major for a 2 ♣ opening.

The Vienna Coup is a rare bird. Even expert players may overlook it. This play was unfortunately missed in a Jerusalem rubber bridge game.

A low ♡ was led to the Q and K. This is what declarer should have counted: four probable ♣ tricks, three sure diamonds, three sure hearts, and one sure ♠. He therefore needed one more trick. He could not establish both the ♠ Q and four ♣ tricks without losing one trick in each suit. So he had to fall back on the hearts. They might break 3-3, but as a last resort if West held four hearts and the ♠ K, as he actually did, the very pretty Vienna Coup would work. So here is how the play should have proceeded.

Two ◇ tricks should be won and a low ♣ played from each hand. West would win the ♣ and might very well return a ◇. The ♠ Ace should win the next trick. This with the consequent exposure of the ♠ Q is the Vienna Coup. Declarer would win three clubs leaving the following position with North on lead:

North
♠ Q
♡ 7 5
◇ ——
♣ 6

West
♠ K
♡ 10 8 3
◇ ——
♣ ——

East
immaterial

South
♠ 9
♡ A K 9
◇ ——
♣ ——

The last ♣ would be played and a ♠ discarded by South. What could West do? He would have to discard a ♡. So declarer would win the remainder of the tricks. The declarer who had the opportunity to make this gem play was not familiar with the Vienna Coup. To expose the ♠ Q was just too much for him.

Bridge Calendar

Coming Events

February 7 and 8, Jerusalem: Allen Cup Tournament for Teams of Four at the Diplomat Hotel, starting on Friday the 7th at 4:30 p.m.

February 14 and 15, Herzliya: Philip Morris International Tournament for the European Bridge Cup at the Sharon Hotel. This tournament will also be the opening of the 1975 Israel Bridge Year.

Weekly Duplicate Games, 8.00 p.m.: Ashkelon — Monday, Thursday: Museum. Beersheba — Monday, Thursday: Beit Ha'am. Haifa — City: Monday, Thursdays, Beit Hagefen. Central Carmel: Sunday, Wednesday: Beit Rothschild. New Sha'anan: Tuesday: Beit Abba Khoushi. Herzliya B — Tuesday: Hotel Sharon. Jerusalem — Wednesday: Diplomat Hotel. Kiryat Haim — Tuesday: Beit Nagler. Kiryat Tivon — Sunday: Beit Histadrut. Netanya — Monday: Orly Hotel. Thursday: Wizo Hall. Pardess Hana — Sunday: Wizo. Rehovot — Monday: Masonic Hall. Savyon — Sunday: Avis Hotel. Tel Aviv — Wednesday, Thursday: Dukes Club.

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The Habimah Hall will open at 2 p.m.

The Conference will close at 6 p.m.

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OIL RATIONING OR HIGHER PRICES?

Ford and Congress nearing showdown on economic plan

WASHINGTON. — President Ford and America's Democratic-controlled Congress moved toward a showdown yesterday on the best way to get the nation out of the economic crisis threatening to engulf it.

On a tour of the South yesterday, Ford attacked Congress for proposing flashy but ineffective solutions to America's energy crisis.

"When I see some of the solutions coming from Capitol Hill I am reminded of the difference between washing a car and having it tuned up," the President said in Atlanta.

"Washing a car will make it look shiny, but it will not make it run better. One of these shiny solutions is rationing, but it will not solve the energy problem."

Ford was speaking at a meeting of the Opportunities Industrialization Centres, a black self-help group, on the second day of a tour aimed at improving his waning popularity and rallying support for his energy plans.

The President criticized Congress for opposing his own energy programme and pushing rationing as a means of conserving fuel and lessening dependency on foreign supplies.

Democrats are moving to block his order for increased oil import taxes to reduce foreign supplies by one million barrels a day by the end of the year. The programme was presented by Secretary of State Kissinger on Monday.

Ford's plan calls for consumer countries to further boost the cost of imported oil, which already has increased almost 500 per cent in two years — by import duties, variable levies, quotas or other means — to achieve two objectives:

- Intensity oil conservation measures, which already have caused producing nations to cut back production by 9 million barrels a day.
- Make it economically attractive for the governments and private industry to develop "alternative energy sources" such as nuclear power and solar energy.

Ford warned that another Arab oil embargo could cripple the economy of the U.S. and harm its national defence as well.

The President said petrol rationing would hurt poor Americans, would not encourage the development of domestic fuel supplies, and would not even go to the heart of the problem.

As Ford spoke, leaders of the Democratic majority in Congress attacked his budget proposals as understating the deficit and being short on compassion for Americans hurt most by recession.

The barrage of criticism was both immediate and unusually intense.

Sen. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts said Ford's energy proposals "could turn a serious economic illness into a fatal one."

The President's effort "fails to recognize that the nation's No. 1 crisis today is not energy. It is recession," Kennedy said. The new oil tax, the Senator added, "will assure double digit inflation for the conceivable future."

Sen. Lawton Chiles, Democrat-Florida, also decried the oil tax plan. "A tax cut is what people and the economy need, not higher energy costs," he said.

Several Democrats, including Senate Whip Robert Byrd of West Virginia and House Appropriations Chairman George Mahon of Texas, said Ford had understated substantially the red ink that would be brought by the new budget. Ford claims a deficit of $51,000m.

Mahon said the national debt actually would climb $107,000m. or more than twice Ford's budget figure in the next fiscal year.

In a scathing attack on Ford's budget, columnist Joseph Kraft calls the plan "unusually honest, but not very bright."

Noting that unemployment is expected to hit a new high, and stay there, and that inflation is due to continue, Kraft says: "The Ford Administration is presiding over the deepest recession since the Great Depression. It now surfaces a programme for the slowest recovery. It is a case of planned stagnation."

On the limits placed on social benefit systems, Kraft says that swelling federal expenses are not the principal cause of the huge deficits the U.S. is facing. Rather, he said, "it is declining receipts flowing directly from the stagnation which Mr. Ford plans."

(Reuter, UPI, AP)

Crowds flock to Cairo for Kolthoum funeral

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent and agencies

This Egyptian authorities have taken strong precautionary measures to control the emotional throngs flocking into Cairo for the funeral today of Om-Kolthoum, the singing idol whose voice enthralled the Arab world for half a century.

Cairo radio last night said that many delegations from various Arab countries were on their way to the Egyptian capital for the funeral of "the star of the orient," whose emotional impact was unparalleled in the West.

Om-Kolthoum's death spread like a shock wave throughout the Arab world, and was given wide coverage elsewhere. The "Times" of London said in an obituary yesterday that Om-Kolthoum's "fame outshone that of any opera singer" throughout the world, adding that the Arab world's greatest singer was, with the exception of President Nasser, possibly the greatest embodiment of pan-Arab feeling in the modern Middle East.

Om-Kolthoum, who died of a brain haemorrhage on Monday at the age of 76, was the undisputed queen of oriental song in her homeland, Egypt, and the rest of the Arab world for nearly half a century.

A dark-eyed voluptuous woman, she had the whole Arab world at her feet and her singing on Cairo radio could bring the city's traffic to a halt as entranced drivers surrendered to her love ballads.

She was adored by millions, from kings to peasants, from Morocco to the Gulf and Pakistan. In her haunting voice, she sang about ardent Arab lovers with a deep understanding and her voice improved as she grew older.

A prominent Egyptian journalist once said that a single nationalist song by Om-Kolthoum was "more powerful and effective than a hundred fiery editorials by the best Arab writers."

Music experts said her greatness lay in the tone quality of her strong, deep voice, her ability to sing her way smoothly all along the scale, from the highest to the lowest pitch, and her perfect articulation.

Om-Kolthoum owed the discovery of her voice to her father, Sheikh Ibrahim, himself an itinerant crooner who made a living by singing at rural weddings and religious celebrations. He took his daughter along to perform before she was 10 years old, at first dressing her as a boy in deference to prevailing traditions against girls singing in public.

From a poor peasant girl, she rose to stardom in the early 1920's after moving to Cairo.

In 1935 she began giving monthly concerts which were sponsored and broadcast live by Cairo Radio — a performance that continued almost without interruption until early 1972 when her health began to fail. The concerts were a national ritual.

Until the mid-sixties she sang three songs lasting one to two hours apiece at each concert. Her repertoire numbered nearly 400 songs. The majority were love songs in colloquial and classical Arabic, but she also featured nationalist and religious songs.

The theme was usually love but after the Arab defeat in the June 1967 war, Om-Kolthoum added a militant "I have a rifle" to her repertoire. Her three most famous hits were "You are my life," "This is my night," and "Does he think I am a toy in his hands?"

Om-Kolthoum traditionally gave a live performance in Cairo on the first Thursday of every month, and this was broadcast throughout the Arab world.

Her death marked the end of an era of Arabic entertainment that she dominated as no other singer before her, and her popularity rivalled, and outlasted, that of the late Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

The announcement of her death was made to the Arab world by Egyptian Premier Abdul-Aziz Hegazi who almost immediately afterwards began to receive messages of condolences from Arab leaders. Her funeral today is likely to be a state occasion in Cairo where thousands of Om-Kolthoum fans have been gathering since Monday.

"A legend has gone," said a Cairo radio commentator on concluding Om-Kolthoum's 50-year-long tale. Now that Om-Kolthoum has indeed gone, following so soon after singer Farid el-Atrash, who died last month, the Arab world is left with only one top singer — Mohammed Abdel-Wahab. In his seventies, Abdel-Wahab has often said that the only thing he fears is death.

Conversation with Sadat

Gromyko admits that Brezhnev is ill

CAIRO. — Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko said yesterday that Communist Party Secretary-General Leonid Brezhnev is "sick," giving the first official confirmation that the Russian leader is in ill health.

Newsmen overhead part of a conversation Gromyko had with Egyptian President Sadat as they posed for pictures at the Egyptian leader's Nile Delta rest house outside Cairo.

According to the newsmen, Sadat asked Gromyko "How is our friend Brezhnev? How is his health?"

"He is sick," Gromyko replied.

Gromyko's comment followed a report in a Beirut newspaper yesterday that Brezhnev recently underwent surgery and is in critical condition.

The newspaper "An Nahar," quoting information received in Cairo, said the Soviet leader's health was "somewhat critical." It did not elaborate.

Brezhnev, 68, postponed a scheduled visit to the Middle East last month because of what diplomatic sources in Cairo said at the time was ill health.

A Moscow report says that the Brezhnev mystery may be cleared up next week when British Prime Minister Harold Wilson arrives for an official visit. If the head of the Soviet Communist Party does not receive him, "something is really wrong," one British official commented. Explanations would have to be made to the British, and the explanations undoubtedly would leak out.

At least three times in recent weeks reliable Western diplomats or newsmen have reported seeing Brezhnev speeding through Moscow in his black limousine, apparently on the way to his offices in the Kremlin. But despite this apparent return to at least partial activity in the Kremlin, there has been no confirmation in the official Soviet press — no familiar announcement that "the Secretary-General of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union today received ..." or "today attended ..."

The majority opinion in the Western colony and among non-official Russians is still that the 68-year-old party chief withdrew from the public scene late in December because of fatigue or illness brought on by a heavy official schedule in the closing months of 1974. However, some Western diplomats say there is no evidence Brezhnev has been seriously ill, and that he is involved in a struggle for power. *(UPI, AP)*

Cambodia rebels hit river convoy

Saigon calls for Thieu to resign

PHNOM PENH. — Communism-led rebels yesterday wiped out most of a convoy of empty ships moving down the Mekong River to Saigon to pick up food and war supplies for the besieged Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh.

Floating mines and heavy gunfire from posts dug in along the banks of the river sank or badly damaged most of the vessels, Phnom Penh port sources said yesterday.

The sources said a tanker, three tugboats, four barges and two Cambodian Navy patrol boats escorting the convoy were sunk or damaged, and 35 crewmen aboard were wounded.

In South Vietnam, political dissenters against the government of President Nguyen van Thieu yesterday called for his resignation, charging that he had "killed democracy" by closing five newspapers and detaining at least 18 newsmen and publishers.

The South Vietnamese Government yesterday released a number of reporters arrested on charges of being Communist agents.

There was speculation that the Government's retreat from its attack on Saigon's opposition press was prompted by second thoughts about the effect of the campaign on the prospects for additional U.S. military aid.

There was no indication that the Government would allow the reopening of the five opposition papers banned Monday.

Saigon's other four anti-Government newspapers announced that they would suspend publication today to demonstrate their sympathy with the five banned dailies. The only Vietnamese-language papers publishing in Saigon will be three pro-Government papers. *(UPI, AP)*

Eugene Istomin

Mrs. Casals

Istomin to wed Casals' widow

NEW YORK (AP). — Martita Montanez Casals, the 38-year-old widow of cellist Pablo Casals, has announced she will marry Eugene Istomin, the pianist who was a long-time friend and protege of the maestro.

Mrs. Casals and Itomin were interviewed here on Monday at the home of a friend. They said they would wed twice within the next few weeks, once in New York and again in San Juan, Puerto Rico, where Mrs. Casals' parents and two brothers live.

"We have a lot of things in common," Mrs. Casals said. "We will work to bring to life and light the things that maestro Casals left to us — the museums, the festivals. That will be a very important part of our lives."

"Having had such a rich, wonderful life with Pablo Casals, I feel very fortunate to have found Eugene now," she said.

Istomin is a 49-year-old bachelor. He has known Mrs. Casals for 25 years.

"From being a loner, I've become a middle-aged Romeo," he said in good humour on Monday.

After Casals' death, he said his "solicitude and care turned to something else. It's really too mysterious to describe how love came about."

Mrs. Casals is president of the annual Festival Casals, the symphony orchestra and the conservatory of music in San Juan, Puerto Rico. She married Casals, who was her teacher, when he was 80 years old in 1957.

Abie on 40-day hunger strike

NEW YORK (UPI).— Abie Nathan said on Monday he has gone on a 40-day fast in an effort to raise $150,000 to pursue his decade-long personal Middle East peace mission. Nathan was taken off an Air France jetliner in a wheelchair when he arrived in New York from Paris, weak from 16 days without any nourishment except a gallon of mineral water a day.

The 40-day fast will last until February 28, he said. He stated that he needs the money to refit his Ship of Peace and buy enough fuel and provisions for the crew of 20 for the next year. The ship is tied up in Marseilles.

"All the notches in my belt have gone," he said. "What I am doing I hope will get more attention as a solution to peace without violence."

Nathan, whose stunts include flying a plane and sailing his ship to Middle Eastern capitals in wartime, said that if he doesn't raise the money in the U.S., he will fast until death.

96 Japanese out of hospital

COPENHAGEN (AP). — Danish doctors yesterday began releasing from a hospital most of the 144 Japanese travellers who became ill with acute food poisoning from a ham omelette served aboard a chartered Japan Air Lines jumbo jet. About 20 of the patients remained so weak that doctors expected to keep them under care for at least a week.

After a team of specialists reviewed the case of each patient during the morning, Viggo Faber, head of Copenhagen's Municipal Isolation Hospital, said 96 patients would be released immediately and another 20 or 30 today.

Faber said all the Japanese stricken by the poisoning caused by staphyloccocci in the ham omelette prepared in Anchorage, Alaska, were now out of immediate danger.

The omelette was served for breakfast on the Tokyo-to-Paris Boeing 747 flight as it approached Copenhagen for a scheduled brief stopover en route early Monday. Within an hour of touch-down the food poisoning struck passengers who had eaten the omelette.

4,000 walk out; they got paid too much

BRISTOL, England (UPI). — Even for a country where strikes are virtually an everyday occurrence, this walk-out was something different.

More than 4,000 local government employees took the day off on Monday to protest that they were being paid too much.

An Avon County Council spokesman said an over generous computer was responsible for the gargantuan paychecks. One man, an assistant janitor, received £2,400 ($5,760) for a week's work, and a cook who normally earns £18 ($43), "earned" £270 ($648).

Approximately 300 of the strikers marched to Bristol City Hall carrying signs and banners. They complained that some workers also were underpaid by the computer.

"Our members cannot rely on getting their proper pay any more," an official of the National Union of Public Employees said. "Hundreds and hundreds of people are being affected every week."

The council spokesman said the local treasury department was having "teething troubles" with the computer, installed in April.

Moshe Starkman, Yiddish writer, 68

MIAMI BEACH (JTA). — Moshe Starkman, director of Yiddish publicity of the United Jewish Appeal and Federation of Jewish Philanthropies joint campaign, died of a heart ailment on Sunday. He was 68 and lived in New York.

A former city editor of the now-defunct New York Yiddish daily "Day-Morning Journal," Mr. Starkman was a past president of the Yiddish Pen Club, and at the time of his death was serving on the boards of directors of Yivo, the Yiddish Scientific Institute, and the Jewish Culture Congress.

Algeria expels Reuters man

ALGIERS (UPI). — Algeria has expelled Reuters' correspondent René Vigie on charges of biased reporting, the government-run newspaper "El Mujahid" said yesterday.

The Algerian Press Agency (APS) said Vigie had "launched a tendentious campaign against our country by filing erroneous information ..."

Vigie's predecessor was requested to leave though not expelled by the Algerian Government.

First Jew heads U.S. Justice Dept.

WASHINGTON (JTA). — Lawrence H. Silberman took over his duties on Monday as Acting Attorney-General of the U.S. Silberman, a native of York, Pa., will serve until Edward H. Levi, University of Chicago president, is sworn in as Attorney-General.

Silberman, who is 38, thus becomes the first Jew to head the Department of Justice. Levi will be the first Jew actually designated by a President as Attorney-General.

William B. Saxbe, who held the post, was sworn in on Monday as ambassador to India.

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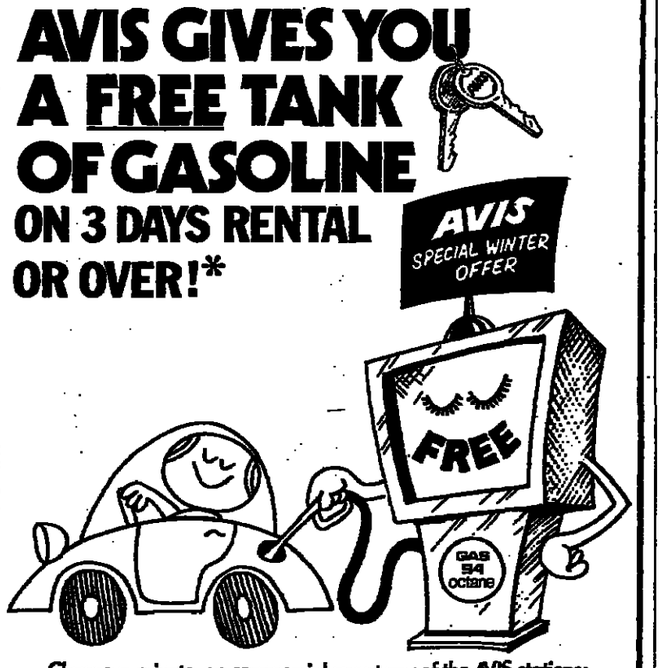

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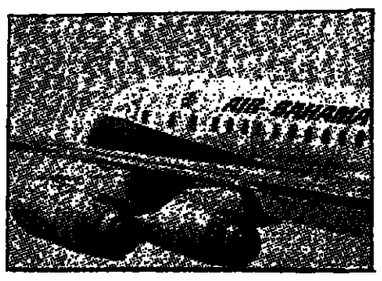

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TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.

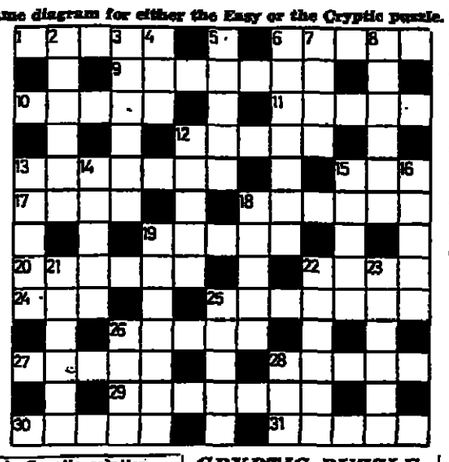
EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 Writing material (5)
6 Jeer (5)
9 Quandary (7)
10 Tartan cloth (5)
11 Scent (5)
12 Apparel (5)
13 Pungent chemical (7)
15 Unopened flower (3)
17 Rip (4)
18 Shade of red (6)
19 Facial hair (5)
20 Books (6)
22 Riders' sport (4)
24 Sight organ (3)
25 Titled man (7)
26 Bird (5)
27 Portly (5)
28 Ventilated (5)
29 Voting check (7)
30 Command (5)
31 Child's toy (5)

DOWN

2 Burning (6)
3 Newspaperman (6)
4 Free (3)
5 Striped animal (5)
6 Shattered (7)
7 Vehicles (4)
8 Eminent (6)
12 Has a meal (5)
13 Make amends (5)
14 Colour (5)
15 Animal (5)
16 Warehouse (5)
18 Frog cry (5)
19 Desk pad (7)
21 Shellfish (6)
22 Courteous (6)
23 Myth (6)
25 Small stream (5)
26 Certain (4)
28 Insect (3)



Monday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—3, Whist. 8, Bacon. 10, Kayak. 11, Can. 12, Towel. 13, Cabinet. 15, Women. 18, Tin. 19, Denude. 21, Holster. 22, Boar. 23, Peer. 24, Rotates. 26, Eleven. 29, Mar. 31, Dudes. 32, Reputed. 34, Steed. 35, Sip. 36, Skate. 37, Laces. 38, Adept.

D.O W N. — 1, Macaw. 2, Monitor. 4, Hoot. 5, Shower. 6, Talon. 7, Fated. 9, Cab. 12, Tension. 14, Nil. 16, Mules. 17, Nears. 19, Defamed. 20, Ebbed. 21, Hated. 23, Perusal. 24, Rested. 25, Tap. 27, Lucky. 28, Vesta. 30, Repel. 32, Reap. 33, Tic.

Monday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—3, Waist. 8, Led on. 10, Night. 11, Eel. 12, CL-aim. 13, High-way. 15, Volga. 18, Ear. 19, Dead-SEA. 21, Ar-rival. 22, Aimz. 23, Also. 24, Scattle. 26, Fiesta. 29, (fire)Arm. 31, Ar-ray. 32, Cry over. 34, Blood. 35, Nip. 36, Stole. 37, Admit. 38, Edgar.

DOWN.—1, (Order of) Merit. 2, Mothers. 4, Ally. 5, Swivel. 6, Tim-en. 7, T-h-ngs. 9, Dog. 12, Ca-Rio-Ca. 14, W-ar. 16, Lil-la. 17, A-E-sop. 19, Bastard. 20, Jaffa. 21, Amber. 23, Almon-d-s. 24, Styled. 25, Try. 27, Irate. 28, Sable. 30, So-pi-a. 32, Co-HA. 33, VI-M.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

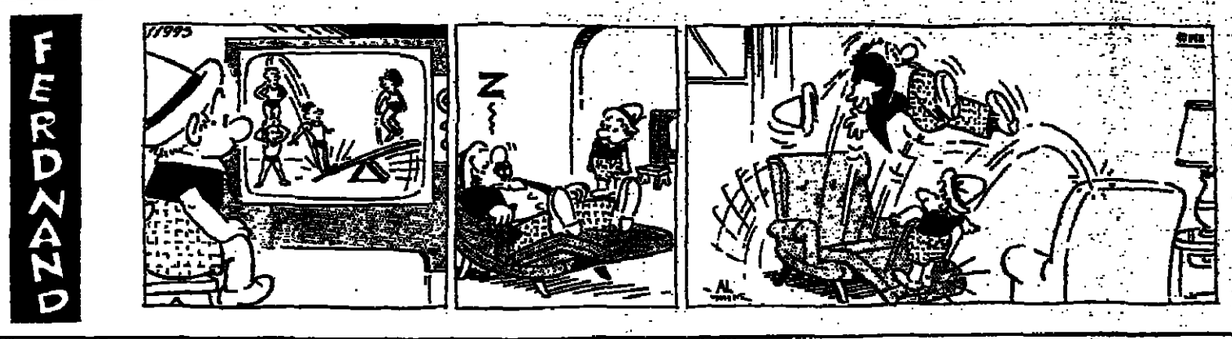
ACROSS

1 Throw away a fight? (6)
6 A team on the stage (5)
9 Can't turn in bed at a touch (7)
10 Basis for writing wild tales ? (5)
11 It lends support to an artist's views (5)
12 Politicians having fun ? (5)
13 He may beat Ron (7)
15 In which to trap one's hair ? (3)
17 Soon comes from the Lebanon (4)
18 *Not any* character in Shakespeare ! (6)
19 She sounds chiming (5)
20 He's no dead duck ! (6)
22 Is she a showy kisser ? (4)
24 Has she vowed to make not a single sound ? (3)
25 Uniformly showy occasions ? (7)
26 Standard Anglo-Saxon soldiers, familiarly (5)
27 Like very hot water, something painful (5)
28 It's keen sighted as each short leg may be (5)
29 One of the first things to get hot (7)
30 Pushes products out ? (5)
31 Nice people (superior costers ?) (5)

DOWN

2 Character who can get round everything (6)
3 Movement to stations ? (6)
4 Writer who had a try at verse ! (3)
5 Four-legged toast-maker (5)
6 Excellent and sound solvent (7)
7 Wait to be accommodated ? (4)
8 Dredge the river and shut up ! (6)
12 Favourite royal name ? (5)
12 Continue one's innings as striker (5)
14 Disrobing is too much for him (5)
15 Though wandering, he's not not raving ! (5)
16 Rubber bands (5)
18 Another name for a sail-maker (5)
19 Happens to be at Niagara (7)
21 Jack's wood ? (6)
22 Fighting for a chop ? (6)
23 Spiller of beans in a bank ? (6)
25 Violet city (5)
26 Variegated bird to many (4)
28 Finish up in Seven Dials (3)

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY



WHAT'S ON

Plant a Tree in Israel with Your Own Hands: free tours for planters to the Hills of Judea leave every Monday and Wednesday from Jerusalem and every Tuesday from Tel Aviv. For details and registration please call Visitors' Department; Keren Kayemet Leisrael (Jewish National Fund); in Jerusalem, King George Ave., corner Rehov Keren Kayemet. Tel. 02-35261. In Tel Aviv, 96 Rehov Hayarkon, opp. Dan Hotel. Tel. 03-234449.

JERUSALEM

Israel Museum: Exhibitions: Old Master Prints: Durer, Rembrandt & others, Rosenbloom Bequest (I); Maris Bishofs — Exhibition within an Exhibition — Cartoons; Impressionist Prints & Drawings, Centennial of the first Impressionist Show; Ilan Mann — Paintings, Drawings, Prints: American Art — from the Museum's Collection; "Past and Present" — *the J Mitchell Gift; AGI* — Graphics and the Community; Picasso's "Guernica" — a Protest Against Wars; Our Pupils at Work.
Hours: Israel Museum: Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tues. Shrine of the Book and Billy Rose Art Garden: 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Museum: 4 p.m.-10 p.m.; Rockefeller: Sun., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Israel Museum & Rockefeller: Fri., Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
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Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, Schneller Wood, Romema. Tel. 533232, 7.30 a.m. — dusk.
AT THE KHAN THEATRE (opposite the railway station). A folklore evening for tourists with Inbal dance group every Wednesday at 9.00 p.m.
The Rubin Academy of Music, Jerusalem, in cooperation with the Jerusalem Municipality Culture Department, will present a recital for violin and piano, performed by Motti Schmit (violin) and Polina Lubetzky (piano), at 8.30 p.m. in the Academy auditorium. Programme: Motzart, Brahms, Chansson, Shostakovich and Paganini.

TEL AVIV

Tel Aviv Museum Sderot Shaul Hamelech. Visiting hours: Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; 4-10 p.m. Saturday: 6-10 p.m. **EXHIBITIONS** Georges Romanii Zacks Hall Israeli Art (Meyerhoff Hall). Impressionism (Jagiom Hall).
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WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE Conducted tours, Sun. to Thurs. at 2.30 p.m. Fri. at 10.30 a.m., starting from the lobby of the Charles Clore International House.

CINEMAS

TEL AVIV
4.30, 7.15, 9.30
ALLENBY — Walking Tall; **BEN YEHUDA** — Freebie and the Bean; **CINEMA ONE** — The Taking of Pelham One Two Three; **CINEMA TWO** — The Conversation Fri. 10, 12, 2 Weekly 10, 12, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10; **CINERAMA** — Mr. Majestyk; **ESTHER** — The Klansmen; **DEKEL** — Soylent Green 7.30, 9.30; **CHEN** — Nightmare Honeymoon; **DRIVE-IN** — at 5.00 Tarzan's Jungle Rebellion, at 7.15 Park of Love, at 9.45 Kill Them All; **GAT** — Crazy Sex; **GORDON** — The Martyr; **HOD** — Bernaline and Company; **ORLY** — A Warm December; **PEER** — Jeremy; **MAXIM** — The Candy Snatchers; **RAMAT AVIV** — Sugarland Express 7.15, 9.30 Fri. 10, midnight; **OPHIR** — Airport 1975; **MOGRABI** — The Odessa File 4.30, 7.00, 9.30; **TCHELET** — Savage Messiah; **STUDIO** — Murder on the Orient Express 4.30, 7.00, 9.30; **TEL AVIV** — The Sound of Music 5, 8.30; **PARIS** — L'Amour d'Apres Midi 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; **LIMOR** — Camille 2000; **ZAFON** — Impossible Object.

JERUSALEM
4.00, 7.00, 9.00
ARNON — The Martyr; **CHEN** — Rape and Revenge; **EDEN** — The Man who Loved Cat Dancing 4, 7, 9.15; **EDISON** — Yaban; **HABIRAH** — Juggernaut; **JERUSALEM** — Blazing Saddles 7, 9 only; **MITCHELL** — The Greek Connection; **ORGIL** — Before the Storm; **ORION** — O'Lucky Man 4, 8:30 only; **OREN A** — The Odessa File 4, 6.30, 9.00; **RON** — Love Games Swedish Style; **SEMADAR** — Gone With the Wind. 8 only.

HAIFA
AMPHITHEATRE — 5 Sons of a Dog; **ARMON** — Thunderbolt and Lightfoot; **ATZMON** — Death Wish; **BEIT ROTHSCHILD** — Ten Best Films; **CHEN** — Loot; **MIRON** — Fist of Revenge; **MOKIAH** — The Pedestrian 6.45, 9.00; **ORAH** — Murder on the Orient Express; **ORDAN** — Chariots of the Gods; **ORION** — Les Tentatives de Marianne; **OHLY** — Avanti 6.30, 9.00; **PEER** — Indian Summer; **RON** — The Odessa File; **SHAVIT** — The Venial Sin.

RAMAT GAN
ARMON — American Graffiti 4, 7.15, 9.30; **HADAR** — Death Wish 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **LILI** — For Pete's Sake 7.15, 9.30. Mats at 4.00 Bacham Gamliel; **ORDEA** — Gangster's Story 7.15, 9.30; **OASIS** — Juggernaut 4, 7.15, 9.30; **RAMA** — Sexy Mirella 7.15, 9.30; **RAMAT GAN** — Verdict 7.15, 9.30

HERZLIYA
TIFERET — Gold 7, 9; **DAVID** — Le Grand Bazaar 7, 9.15

PETAH TIKVA
SHALOM — The Body 7, 9. Mats at 3.30 Tarzan Jungle Captive

ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS
1st Programme: News: 5.00 a.m., 6.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 10.00, 11.00, and midnight. Newsreels: 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: 6.05, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00 and midnight and 1.00 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: 6.00 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight, 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 and 5.00. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 12.05 and 5.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
202, 322 and 221 M.
7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Handel: Concerto Grosso in F; Danzi: *Sinfonia Concertante in E-flat (Scherchen); J.* Stamitz: Symphony in D. 9.05 Rossini: Overture "Wilhelm Tell"; A. Rubinstein: Piano Concerto No. 4 (Raymond Lowenthal — De Carvalho); Vaughan-Williams: Overture "The Wasps" (Stokowski). 10.05 Mozart: Violin Concerto No. 3 (Francescatti); Prokofiev: Symphony No. 7 (Rozhdestvensky).
11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programme for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Godowski: Symphonic Variations on Themes by Joh. Straus (Earl Wilde); Liszt: Mephisto Waltz (Augustin Anievas). 1.05 Midday Concert — J.C. Bach: Symphony in E-flat; Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto (Michelucci); Liadov: Eight Russian Folksongs (Svetlanov). 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" —, Improving your knowledge. 3.30 Guidance for Teachers. 3.50 Book Review. 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 Quiz. 5.10 The Royal Swedish Guards Band. 5.40 Quiz. 6.05 People and Figures. 6.30 "The World of an Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, chaps. 25 and 26. 8.05 Radio Chess Competition. 8.07 New Israel String Quartet — Beethoven: Quintet, op. 29 (with Zvi Litvak); Brahms: Quintet, op. 111) Wolf: Italian Serenade. 9.20 Cantorial Request Programme. 10.05 "Cast Your Bread on the Water." 11.05 "My Concert" — (Ruth Hefetz). 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.13 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 249, 256 and 340 M.
5.58 a.m. Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 Announcements. 8.15 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs.
1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 This is Ehud Manor." 3.52 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 Hebrew Hit Parade. 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 Hit Parade (cont.) 6.45 Today's Sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "I'm a new Olah." 9.30 Jazz. 10.05 "Till Midnight in Haifa." 12.05 "A Night of Stars." 1.05 Close Down.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
455 M.
6.58 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.05 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE
5.30 News. 5.32 "The Partridge Family." 6.00 Cartoons. 6.00 Nanny and the Professor. 6.30 Mabat. 9.00 "Windom's Way" — film. 10.45 News.
Educational: 7.50 Physics. 7. 8.15 Maths 6. 9.05 Literature 2-5. 9.25 "Improve Your Hebrew." 10.00 English 9. 10.20 English 7. 10.45 English. 11.05 Biology 9. 11.35 English 8. 12.00 Technical Drawing 8. 12.20 Maths 6. 12.40 Stories. 1.00 Science/Physics 7. 1.25 A game on Words. 7-9. 4.00 For Kindergarteners. 4.10 Science 5-7. 4.34 Technology. 4.50 Film. 5.05 English.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 "The Sory of..." 7.00 "The Short Story." 7.05 "Know Israel." 7.37 Programme Review. 7.40 News.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
187, 428, 256, 249, 355 and 340 M.
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves).
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
6.00 (5th programme);
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.55 p.m. (short waves).

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves).
6.00 p.m. (4th programme);
8.30-8.45 (4th programme);
10.00-10.55 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
11 a.m. (4th programme);
2.00-2.20 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
3rd Programme (short waves) — 13, 19, 25, 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.
4th Programme — 407, 455 and 232 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
234, 349 and 220 M.
5.55 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning tunes. 7.55 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 9.05 Requests. 9.55 "Pocket Torch." 10.05 "Warm and Tasty" — Regards. 11.55 "My Scoop." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.25 "Midday Star." 12.55 "Who Wins and Who Loses." 1.05 Entertainment Programme. 2.05 p.m. "Two Hit Fest" — with Moshe Timor. 4.05 "Who is Afraid of Critics." 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody. 5.55 Programme Trailer. 6.05 An Hour with Dr. Moshe Feldenkrais. 6.35 Foreign Hit Parade. 9.05 Weekly Concerts. 10.05 "Notes and Good Friends." 11.05 "Around the World in 60 Minutes". 12.05 Zahal's Diary. 12.30 Night Birds. 2.05 Light Music. 3.05-6.00 Tunes in the night.

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Market activity picks up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Activity in the stock market picked up yesterday, with linked bonds rising, and stocks mixed. The total of bonds traded reached IL3,768,900. Stock volume was IL1,918,700, of which IL1,033,600 were traded in the variables.

Bank Leumi rose half a point, to close at 139.5, on a volume of 122,000. Rassco continued to rise; ordinary shares rose two points to 64, with volume at 84,000; and preferred shares reached 98, up seven points, on a volume of 62,000. The new Bank Hapoalim issue rose four points to 173, on a volume of 55,000. Mizrahi Investment rose 1.5 points, to 150, on a volume of 148,000. Shikun "B" declined three, closing at 176, with a volume of 55,000.

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DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	258	257.5
6% Electric Corp. A	r	—	—
6% Electric Corp. B	r	156	155
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Kitsa 1965, Index 110.1	b	428	—
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	b	183.5	—
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	140	—
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otzar Hityashvut	r	207	203
I.D.B. pref.	r	277	275.5
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	181	180
Union Bank	r	303	304
Discount Bank "A"	r	421	420
United Mizrahi Bank	b	164	165
Bank Hapoalim—10%	b	290	—
Bank Leumi "A"		139.5	138
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	273	275
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	153	153
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	237	238
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	176	179
Tefahot 8%	b	230	226
Tefahot	b	228	225
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	68	68
Aryeh	r	—	—
Hassneh Insurance	b	377	367
Sahar—"C"	b	222	220.5
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES		245	237
Motor House	b	72	72
Delek C.	r	131	131.5
Cold Storage—IL10	r	141	141
Israel Electric Corp.	r	141	140
Lighterage & Supply	r	123	135
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Asorim	r	109.5	110
Africa Isr. IL10	r	207	209
Isr. Land Dev.	b	100	100
Solel Boneh—10%	b	104	104
Property & Build.	r	156	157
Isras	b	106	102
Mehadrin	r	158	158
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	r	90	90
Anglo-Isr. Investor	b	185	185
Neot Aviv	r	75.5	77
Fri Or Ltd.	r	145	145
Rassco—8%	r	98	91
Rassco—O.	r	64	62
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	405	400
Elco—3.5	b	87.5	87.5
Electra—5	r	128	128
"Argaman"—8%	b	173	173
"Ata"—C	r	75	76
Dubek	b	333	339
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	123	124
Teva		1165	1170
Chem. & Phosphates	r	136	127
Lewin Epstein	b	67	67
Moller Textile	r	181.5	182
Phoenicia—8%	b	65	65
Paper Mills	r	336	235
Assis "B"	r	155	154
Nechushtan	b	547	547
Elite (A)	r	185.5	185
Shemen—8%	b	104	104
"Taal" Plywood	b	107.5	109
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	79	77.5
Zilkha	b	141	139
Israel Central Trade	r	139	139
Bank Hapoalim	b	245	—
Paz	b	93	93.5
Wolfson IL10	b	67.5	67.5
Ampa	r	104.5	102.5
Discount Bank	b	153.5	152.5
United Mizrahi	b	150	157.5
Bank Leumi	r	139.5	138
Piryon Investment	r	87	89
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Export Bank	b	63	62
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WALL STREET

Closing February 4, 1975

Market turns downward

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market turned downward yesterday in profit-taking after more than a month of sharp gains. Trading was active.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials was down nearly seven points half an hour before the close.

Analysts said it looked as though investors had been prompted to cash in on some profits by the gloomy forecasts on inflation and unemployment in President Ford's comments on the federal budget.

They also noted concern over General Motor's reduction of its dividend to 60 cents from the 85 cents paid in each quarter of last year. Brokers observed that the stock of the big auto manufacturer has traditionally been considered a bellwether issue that often sets the tone for the overall market GM was sharply lower in heavy trading after a delayed opening. Selling spilled over into other auto stocks as well.

Gold stocks gained, with an apparent boost from a worse-than-expected inflation forecast by the White House.

Airco Inc	14 1/2	Cont Oil	44 5/8	Interpublic	11 1/4	Reyn Ind	34 1/2
Alcan Alu	19 3/4	Cont Tel	19 1/8	John Man	22 1/4	Reyn Met	17 1/2
Allied Ch	31 5/8	Cont Data	13 1/2	John Joh	80 1/2	Rockwell Int	20 3/8
Allied Str	22 3/8	Corning	37 1/2	Kais Alum	18 1/2	Rohm & Haas	53 1/4
Allis Chal	7 7/8	CPC Intl	37	Kenn Cop	32 7/8	Royl D	39 1/2
Alcoa	33 5/8	Crown Cork	20 5/8	Koppers	44 1/4	Safeway	38 1/4
Amax	36 3/8	Crwn Zell	29 1/8	Libb O Fd	18	Schering	31 1/4
Am Airlin	7 1/2	Curtis wri	9 1/8	Liggt My	29 5/8	Scott Pap	13 3/4
Am Bdcst	18	Dan River	5 5/8	Litton Ind	7 1/8	Seagram Co.	35 5/8
Amer Can	31	Deere Co	37 1/2	Lockheed	4 7/8	Sears Roe	60
A Cyan	34 1/8	Dow Chem	61 1/4	LTV Corp	13 3/8	Shell Oil	46
A Home	32 7/8	Dress Ind	44 3/8	Macy RH	16 5/8	Singer Co	12 3/4
Amer Mot	4 3/8	Dupont	97 3/4	Magnovox	5 7/8	Smithkline	47 1/2
A Smelt R	16 1/2	East AirLns	5 1/8	Mfrs Han	31	Sony	6 5/8
Am Stand	19 1/4	E Kodak	74 1/2	Marath	34 3/4	South Ry	41
Amer T & T	49 1/8	Eaton	36 1/4	Mercor	18 5/8	Sperry Rnd	30
AMF Inc	12 1/4	El Paso NG	12 1/8	Marsh Fd	19 5/8	St Brands	58 7/8
Anaconda	16 1/2	Esmark	37 3/8	Martin Mar	15 7/8	St Oil Cal	36 1/4
ASA Ltd	72	Exxon	75 3/4	Matsush	13 1/2	St Oil Ind	40 5/8
Atl Rich	86	Fair Cam	26 7/8	McDon D	9 1/2	St Oil Oh	57 1/2
Avco	4	Firestone	16 5/8	Merck	66 3/4	Sterl Drug	18 1/8
Bell How	13 7/8	Fluor Cp	18 3/4	Merr Lynch	12 3/4	Stu Wor	23 1/4
Bendix	37 1/4	Fd Fair	5 3/8	Miles Lab	30	Sun Oil	35
Benguet	2 3/4	Ford Mot	34 1/4	Minn M M	48 3/4	Teledyne	11 7/8
Beth Stl	8	Gen Dynam	24 1/2	Mobil Oil	42 1/8	Tenneco	23 1/2
Boeing Co	16 7/8	Gen Elect	38 5/8	Monsgm	7 5/8	Texaco	26 5/8
Bois Cas	14	G Fds Corp	22 7/8	Monsan	47 1/4	Texas Gulf	26 7/8
Borg War	16 3/8	Gen Mills	47	Moor McCor	36 7/8	Texas Instru	73 3/4
Braniff	6 3/4	Gen Mot	35 5/8	Morgan J	62 5/8	Textron	14 3/4
Brist My	37 1/4	Gn Tel El	21 1/8	Nabisco	33 5/8	Transwair	8 3/8
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Compounding confusion in the arms profiteering muddle

By Moshe Ater
POST Economic Editor

THREE WEEKS AGO a bill was tabled in the Knesset which would prohibit *arms agents from receiving* commissions on sales to the Israel government. If passed, the law was expected to put an end to profiteering running into tens of millions of Israel pounds a year. The bill was due to be discussed shortly, but now it *is to be withdrawn and* amended. Apparently its original form was a mistake, and in fact, the bill was tabled before the committee appointed to consider the issue submitted its recommendations. And these recommendations make it doubtful whether a new law — even an amended one — is necessary.

The matter could be overlooked as just another minor administrative mishap. But it is not a minor one, because of both the bill's scope and its approach. The bill as it stands refers not only to weapons and ammunition, but also to explosives, electronic, communication and optical equipment, vehicles, aircraft, vessels and "any other equipment" intended for the use of IDF or of any other body approved by the Minister of Defence. The bill expressly states that it is intended to cover also equipment used by civilians. It could easily be interpreted as including vehicles or machinery for military personnel. And since the intention is to eliminate profiteering on *sales to the government*, there is no reason why this principle should not apply also to other government purchases such as trucks and buses, or building materials.

If it is indeed true that commercial intermediaries can be dispensed *with and better terms can be achieved* by means of the state's own purchasing agencies, one cannot help wondering why a wasteful procurement system has been maintained until now. In the current fiscal year our defence purchases abroad should be about $1.5b. Next year the deliveries may amount to $2b. Even at modest rates, commissions involved should run into *hundreds* of millions of Israel pounds. One is therefore astonished to find that the official introduction to the bill estimates the aggregate amount of agents' fees to amount to only several tens of millions of pounds.

No less curious is the reasoning advanced in support of the bill. In the U.S., suppliers to the state — not necessarily of weapons and fighting equipment — are not allowed to employ agents. They must pledge that the price quoted does not include any fee or commission to an intermediary, because such a payment is regarded as overcharging the public, and if detected entitles the government to annul the purchase. Of late this practice has been *extended also to American producers* of military hardware supplied to other governments by approval — i.e. through the services of the Pentagon — unless the commission is also expressly approved. This rule refers also to military hardware supplied to this country.

It would seem therefore that the matter is already settled, at least as far as our major source of fighting equipment is concerned. what purpose will therefore be served by the new law tabled in the Knesset? The law would require an agent to get approval from the Minister of Defence (or his delegate) for any commission he may be paid by his firm. A special court to deal with appeals against the Minister's decisions would have to be set up and punitive actions brought against agents getting commissions in excess of those allowed.

Superfluous commission

In the U.S. the supplier is not allowed to pay a superfluous commission. This is sensible enough. The Israeli government would not allow an agent to get a commission which has already been included in the price charged. The U.S. government threatens to annul a purchase if it is overcharged, *or to deduct the amount* of the commission from the price quoted. Our authorities are now threatening to start criminal proceedings against an agent getting his due. Moreover, they are fooling themselves, and the public, by trying to reduce commissions even though they have no way to enforce a law applying to payments carried out abroad.

All this is so obvious that it demands an authoritative explanation as to the way the bill was prepared and the haste with which it was tabled. Even more intriguing is the fact that the committee appointed to probe the issue recommends examining whether any legal steps at all are required as regards commissions on procurements from or through the U.S. government and it *does not recommend* prohibiting commissions to "approved agents" listed in the Ministry of Defence register.

The committee does recommend, however, introducing clear criteria for the standing of an "approved agent" and asking agents to state the amounts of their commissions to enable the Ministry to bargain over prices. But these recommendations at most show that it is the Ministry of Defence which should mend its ways, since it could exact better terms by harder bargaining with its suppliers or their agents.

In some cases, the committee found, agents have indeed agreed to let the Ministry of Defence get part of the commission due to them. This has been achieved without fuss and without resort to a law based on general price control and on Emergency Regulations.

'World's biggest plane' being planned in U.S.

DETROIT (AP). — Edwin N. Cole has retired as president of the world's largest automaker, General Motors, and is busy getting the world's largest plane ready for takeoff.

The new plane is just an artist's drawing so far, but if Cole can "work out the problem," it will be a freight aircraft twice the size of the massive Boeing 747.

He envisions a fleet of 300 of the aircraft, called Huskys, each in the air 15 hours a day, on the ground only 30 minutes each time they land, carrying freight across the country and around the world. The price tag is in the $13b. range.

Cole's firm is working with Boeing on design studies for the plane.

Designing and building a new aircraft is a tremendous undertaking in both time and money. Cole also plans an automated loading and unloading system that is as critical to the venture's success as the aircraft itself. It's a sled that is loaded on the ground, then shoved into the aircraft. When the plane arrives at its destination, the sled is hauled out and another one shoved in with cargo for a new destination.

When the plane and ground support system is built, Cole will have to convince shippers his system is faster, cheaper and better than anything else.

Cole says the Husky is the first plane designed entirely for freight. He says there is a tremendous market for a good air freight system. "It's an area that hasn't been explored in any real way."

Cole is counting on government help. He has been closeted with defence officials in Washington who say they would like to see a fleet of 300 privately built cargo planes that could be commandeered by the military in case of an emergency. That would be similar to the Marine Subsidy Law of 1936 that built merchant ships relied on by the navy in World War II. Under that law, the government insured mortgages on ships. Cole would like to see the same law for airplanes.

Cole's airplane, as seen in the artist's drawing behind his desk, is an enormous box with wings and three or four engines. Its twin tails are connected by another wing, similar to that on the back of some racing cars. The front of the box is designed like the leading edge of a wing to help provide lift. Its squared sides make the maximum amount of space available for cargo.

Cole says the plane can land on any runway that can handle the 747. His firm is making a study of airports where the Husky could land and is working with the Boeing Co. of Seattle on design studies for the craft.

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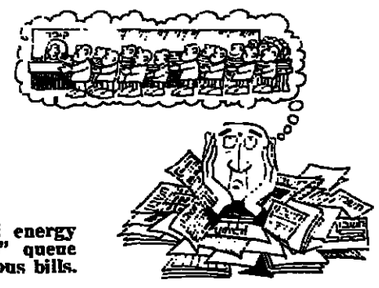

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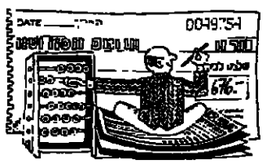

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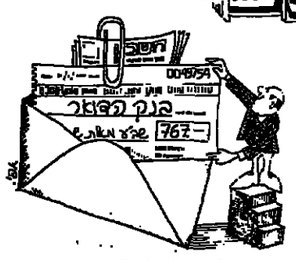

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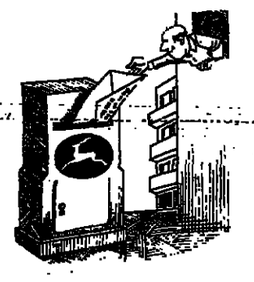

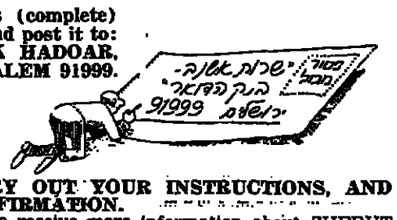

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4,967,828,012	Cash and due from Banks	7,325,897,514
395,998,171	Israel and U.S. Government obligations	473,340,482
364,839,250	Other Securities	684,973,968
**961,462,428	Deposits with and Loans to Government	2,402,223,199
2,194,941,812	Loans, Bills discounted and Other Accounts	3,320,029,134
**1,918,888,204	Loans in connection with Deposits for Loan Purposes	2,903,435,910
108,609,220	Bank premises, other property and equipment	149,162,652
692,773,584	Customers' Liabilities	1,224,053,468
11,605,340,681	Total Assets	18,483,116,327
	LIABILITIES	
7,382,313,230	Deposits	11,186,316,489
341,217,259	Deposits of Banking Institutions	751,763,736
**2,502,074,043	Government, Bank and other Deposits for Loan Purposes	3,904,198,434
692,773,584	Liabilities on Account of Customers	1,224,053,468
**137,502,207	Other Accounts	301,725,906
11,055,880,323	Total Liabilities	17,368,058,033
199,665,349	Debentures issued by subsidiary	621,733,629
	CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
**205,584,017	Capital and Reserves	304,075,681
30,868,192	Minority Interest	38,044,984
113,342,800	Capital Notes	151,204,000
349,795,009	Total Capital Accounts	493,324,665
11,605,340,681	Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	18,483,116,327

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Gromyko's blocking action

THERE ARE numerous signs that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko is not an especially welcome guest in Egypt at this time. For while President Sadat would no doubt like to achieve a full resumption of the Soviet arms flow, he is not prepared, at least at this stage, to pay the Soviets' political price.

Mr. Gromyko's visit makes part of that price perfectly clear, namely scuttling not only Dr. Kissinger's step-by-step diplomatic design but the more general Egyptian policy of rapprochement with the United States.

The Soviets are apparently deeply disturbed that another Israel-Egyptian agreement would resound throughout the Arab world as decisive evidence of the benefits to be gained from closer collaboration with and reliance upon the United States. With, in addition, Saudi Arabia's King Faisal priming the financial pump in favour of such a pro-American and anti-Soviet orientation, the Kremlin clearly perceives the danger that its long and expensive effort to gain an assured grasp upon Arab policy and decisions is in danger of failure.

These Soviet anxieties seem to have mounted since the Ford-Brezhnev summit meeting at Vladivostok. For at that time it was generally accepted that the Soviets, though preferring a resumption of the Geneva conference, would nevertheless not actively intervene against Dr. Kissinger's diplomatic effort for a reasonable period.

Mr. Gromyko's visit shows that the Kremlin has now jettisoned even that minor bit of detente understanding.

It now demands immediate resumption of the Geneva conference and immediate seating at such a parley of the PLO. Both these demands, contained in the joint communique issued in Damascus upon the conclusion of Mr. Gromyko's visit there, represent changes in the Soviet position. For earlier Washington and Moscow had agreed that the Geneva conference should be convened at an early date, and that the question of seating the PLO would only then be a subject for discussion.

The Syrians, who fear that Sadat may be willing to reach an agreement with Israel without insisting on Israeli withdrawal from the Golan, are of course fully prepared to play the Soviet game against the U.S. and Egypt.

The chances are that Sadat, intent on detaching another slice of Sinai from Israel and fearing stalemate at Geneva, will not be easily stampeded by Mr. Gromyko's pressures.

However, the very urgency of the Soviet entreaties, and the support for them in Syria and among other radical Arab groups, may affect his ability to manoeuvre and therefore the scope available to Dr. Kissinger.

That in itself would be a Soviet achievement.

But it should be made plain that Israel will not permit itself to pay the price of these Big Power gambits.

Dry Bones

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European arms for Egypt

DAVAR (Histadrut) says that Egyptian plans to acquire weapons systems from Britain and France certainly do not imply the phasing out of Soviet arms. Nor is there any indication that the Soviet Union plans to stop supplying Egypt with spare parts. This line of supply preserves the remnants of Soviet influence in that country.

The use of Western arms expands Egypt's base of supply in wartime, for reinforcements will be obtainable also from countries such as Saudi Arabia and Libya which have acquired considerable quantities of French-made arms. This probably outweighs temporary difficulties in assimilation, training and provision of maintenance facilities.

This, says the paper, is the real significance of the new procurement tendencies, and should form part of the reasoning behind our defence requirements.

AL HAMISHMAR (Mapam) also regrets the delay in setting up the committee, which it ascribes to "indecision" on the part of the Prime Minister. The paper feels that the committee will best serve its purpose if important issues are considered by it first and only then submitted to the Cabinet plenum. It also hopes that the new committee will disperse what it calls the "artificial fog" created around the Defence Minister's powers. Above all, it urges a clear definition of the complex relations between the Minister and the Chief of Staff.

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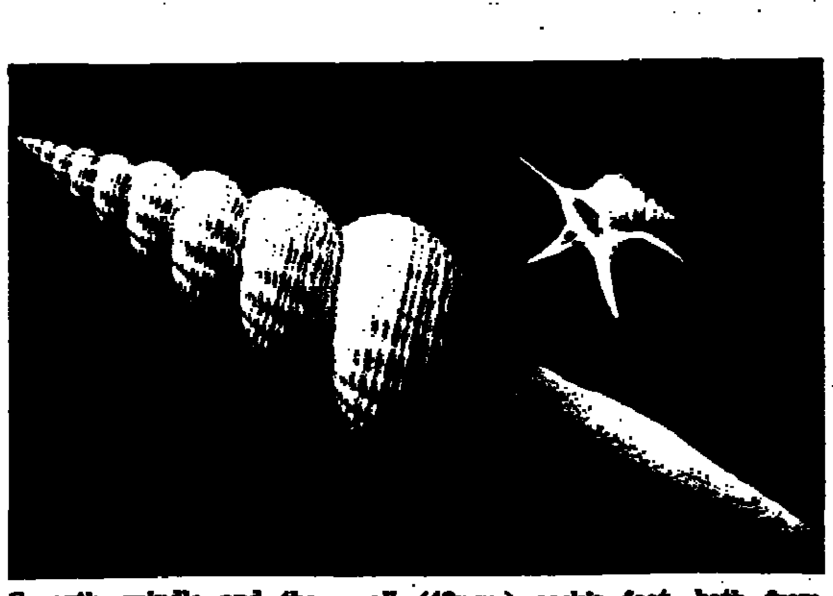

Capart's spindle and the small (43mm.) cock's foot, both from Angola, are part of the Arthur Blok shell collection now on view at the Hebrew University's Zoological Museum.

Shells find a home

A COLLECTION of over 13,000 species of shells is the featured exhibit at the Hebrew University's Zoological Museum to be inaugurated today.

The shells were bequeathed to the University by the late Arthur Blok, OBE, who died in England last autumn at the age of 92. He personally packed every item of what is one of the world's largest private collection of shells for shipment to Jerusalem shortly before he died.

The new Museum, housed in the Zoology Department in the Russian Compound, will provide a permanent home for all the University's zoological collections, some of which have been scattered in various buildings since they were salvaged from Mount Scopus in 1948. They include unique samples of fauna illustrating such radically changed environments as those of Lake Huleh and Nahal Alexandron; representative items from Mount Hermon; the Sinai mountains; the Bitter Lakes of the Suez Canal; from Cyprus and Rhodes; as well as exhibits from the Israeli expedition to the Southern Red Sea.

The Museum, whose Director is Prof. Adam Ben-Tuvia, is organized into sections for aquatic invertebrates, molluscs, fish, reptiles and amphibians, birds and mammals. Some of its main collections are the Aharoni collection of mammals and birds; the Haas-Steinitz-Werner collection of reptiles and amphibians; the Hebrew University-Smithsonian Institution collection from the Eastern Mediterranean and the Red Sea; the Coen and Neuville mollusc collection; the Israel Oceanographic and Limnological Research Ltd. (Haifa Laboratories) collection of Mediterranean fish; the Fauna Palaestina freshwater collection; the Arthur Blok mollusc collection; and a related library of some 4,000 volumes.

Open to scientists from Israel and abroad, the Museum will also maintain a correspondence and interchange of specimens with overseas scientific communities. It is hoped that in a peaceful future it will become a centre for scientific documentation of the fauna of the entire region.

After the opening ceremony a Malacological Symposium in memory of Arthur Blok will be held.

The mollusc shells in the Blok Collection range from a single specimen of the rare *Conus adamsonii* to thousands of specimens of the garden snail *Cepeae nemoralis* found near Ein Gedi. Most popular among shell collectors are the cowries (*Cypraea*). Glossy, colourful and smooth, they have been attractive to people since prehistoric times and for centuries were used as currency in various parts of Africa and the Pacific.

A special section of the display is given to rare books on molluscs such as Martin Lister's *Historia Conchyliorum* which was published in 1685 and contains over a thousand copper plate engravings.

Arthur Blok himself was a man of many facets, civil servant in the Patents office, life-long Zionist, member of the Mahamad of London's Sephardi community, amateur gardener, enthusiastic collector; above all, a kindly man, with a graceful wit, charm and infinite energy. His personal involvement with this country dates back to the 1920s when he came out to Palestine to found and head the Haifa Technion. Until last year, he regularly attended the annual meetings of the Technion's Board of Governors.

The professional objectivist

By Ephraim Kishon

NOBODY'S AS POPULAR in the Western wilds these days as the Objective Israeli. Nothing's as effective as his person for soothing the conscience of the nations who, in their innermost heart, have already sold the only Western State in the Middle East for a pottage of oil. Jewish objectivity is in high demand, therefore, and Jewish supply doesn't lag far behind.

Europe is looking for ideological partners in her practical betrayal, whereas the Objective Israeli is looking for publicity. This way each side is made happy. Sometimes the new partnership functions rather crudely, by way of noisy congresses with the participation of "Matzpen" amateurs and other local New Left freelancers. At other times it gets the professional touch, the subtle and elegant treatment of some major magazine.

Like the interview with Dr. Nahum Goldmann which appeared in the German "Der Spiegel" last week.

A very matter-of-fact interview it was, conducted in a highly cultured manner by experienced journalists, and introduced with the promising lead: "The End of Israel's Honeymoon. Jewish Congress President on the Zionist Blunders." Dr. Goldmann's replies were decorous and well considered, as often as not pro-Israeli in sentiment. In short, it was an extremely objective interview.

And yet —

If the experienced interviewers of "Der Spiegel" had asked this writer whether he, too, believed Israel's existence to be in doubt in view of the Arab oil triumph — if those terribly polite gentlemen with the blank faces had asked me that, and I were the President of the World Jewish Congress, I'd have answered more or less as follows:

"Merely to put such a question to a representative of the remnant of the Jewish people shows exceeding rudeness, especially coming from you, Gentlemen, who belong to the nation responsible for the European Holocaust."

And perhaps I might have added:

"There's not the least chance that Israel can be wiped out, since we have the military and technological means to blow up the whole region if anyone should attempt it..."

And how does Dr. Goldmann reply?

"I agree that, logically viewed, one may put the continued existence of the State in doubt. Still, man doesn't live by logic alone. There's always Faith. The Eternal will not abandon His People.

And he adds:

"I think *Israel will hold out.*"

Quite. We're ready to put our signature to that. It's just the kind of thing we keep saying among ourselves, *at home.* The thing is that Dr. Goldmann says it *in Paris,* to the blank-faced ones of the State-baiting "Der Spiegel." That's to say, he talks *objectively* to people who are *not* objective. And that's what the "Spiegel" editors like. That's why they always have interviews with Dr. Goldmann and never with such as me.

Dr. Goldmann's unprejudiced outlook is infinitely precious to the new *ideology which places* the blame for what it's going to perpetrate against us squarely on our own shoulders. Indirectly, Dr. Goldmann's objectivity supplies them with their alibi.

One typical question and answer in the interview went as follows:

Q. Would it be so very radical if Israel were not to demand straightaway recompense for another withdrawal in Sinai, that Egypt should abandon the war — something one knows Sadat can't do?

***Dr. Goldmann:* Rabin believes he may be able to reach some separate understanding with Sadat; though I believe that to be an illusion. There is no such thing here as an allover statesmanlike concept of the whole situation.**

True, he doesn't realize how he and his eminent status are being exploited by his interviewers, since Dr. Goldmann is interested first and foremost in Dr. Goldmann. His words in "Der Spiegel" are nothing but one great vindication of his prophetic powers, proof that he warned us all along but the Jews refused to listen.

Take Arafat's victory parade. "I saw it coming," says Dr. Goldmann. Our tightrope relations with the U.S.? "I told them it would happen." Russian emigration obstacles? "I warned the Israeli leaders over and over." Time's working in our enemies' favour? "I predicted as much years ago." The Arabs making technological progress? "I always said it was inevitable." Even when we so rashly set up the State, Dr. Goldmann warned us, according to him, that it would lead to wars.

Didn't I tell you? Didn't I? Didn't I?

Any reader of this interview will come away feeling that Dr. Goldmann is always right and the State of Israel never. The general tone of the World Jewish Congress President is apologetic, as if he were trying to whitewash some misdeed. The questions put to him are invariably aggressive, his answers invariably elusive, and sometimes obscure:

"Israel," he says, "should realise the vision of the Jewish Prophets." Aha, so that's what we should do. "In that case," retort the interviewers, "you, Dr. Goldmann, must be badly disappointed with Israel now." Yes, Dr. Goldmann admits, he is. "Doesn't he feel that perhaps the Zionist idea was irrational from the start?" The President of the Jewish Congress does not rap these progressive journalists on the knuckles and does not say: "Is creating a flourishing democratic state in the desert for a persecuted people an irrational idea to you, Gentlemen?!" No, he apologizes instead that "all revolutionary ideas are partly irrational"...

In short, he's an objective person, a man of the world. He dishes up his revelations with the rueful smile of a lonely prophet crying his great truths in the wilderness, and objective Dr. Goldmann doesn't see that we here know it all already, that all these daringly original things he's been saying are commonplaces with us, old truths to every Israeli citizen of average intelligence, and that the only difference is that *we* aren't prepared to recite them for the benefit of the anti-Israeli "Spiegel."

The piece concludes with the interviewers' statement: "Dr. Goldmann, we thank you for your words." A sincere statement, no doubt of it.

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READERS' LETTERS

Japan, Israel and the media

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — On January 1, you quoted a visiting Japanese newsman's glowing account of how his countrymen have only the friendliest of intentions toward Israel. In fact, it is obvious to concerned observers in Japan that there is as much political as economic motivation behind Japanese support of the Arabs. The critical pressures which cause this support to be much stronger than that of many European countries which, notwithstanding the frequently distorted statistics in the Western press, are more heavily dependent on Arab oil, come as much from domestic pro-Arab elements as from the net result of conflicting (Arab vs. American) external pressures. The latent domestic pressures, in turn, encourage the Arabs to strengthen their demands.

At the heart of the problem is the viciously, often irresponsibly, one-sided treatment of the Middle East problem by the mass media, especially the major daily newspapers, and the leftist Japanese Teachers' Union. The newspaper which employs your recent visitor has been known to print particularly atrocious rubbish, such as a recent assertion that one of the causes of continuing tension on the Golan is the danger that Prime Minister Rabin will attempt to break out of his domestic economic difficulties by going to war. It and other papers also maintain a blackout on much significant news about Israel, for example, the recent Unesco action and the reaction to it among Western intellectuals.

Mr. Kubota's remarks, which describe the image the Japanese establishment wants to present to the pro-Israel West (this is certainly not what they tell the Arabs!), are partly founded in reality. But they are far from the whole truth.

Much of the blame for the present state of Japan-Israel relations lies with Israelis who largely ignore Japan and think of the Japanese in terms of quaint stereotypes. Perhaps the first prerequisite for improvement in Israel's Asian relations is for Israeli newspapers to pursue the search for the truth about Asia with the same level of interest and objectivity thus far reserved for the Euro-Arab-American world.

HAROLD SOLOMON

Tokyo, January 21.

WONDERFUL HELP

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I just wanted to tell you what a wonderful job the volunteer services are doing. Since my children have had the volunteers coming to help them with their school work, we have noticed a tremendous improvement in them, they seem to be far more confident in themselves. Our youngest daughter went through a very bad patch at school, so much so that we were told by the headmistress that she needed a psychiatrist; in actual fact the child was so frustrated she didnt know what to do with herself. After one of your volunteers came along to help her, she was like a different child, she has been getting along well at school and has made one or two Israeli friends in her class.

I must say that before the volunteers came along to help us, I had just about given up and was ready to return to England.

I only hope that in a few years time when we are more settled, the children will remember how it was to be a new immigrant and will be able to help others to settle here — I know that I will want to be able to help when I am ready.

MRS. P. KRETT

Netanya, January 17.

FINDING PETS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — If anyone has lost a dog or cat in Jerusalem, a good place to look for it is in the Municipal Veterinarian Quarantine Station at Shuafat. If the animal is registered, it is a good idea to bring its license.

Likewise, if someone is looking for a pet, this is an excellent place to find one, since the animals will be put to sleep if no one takes them.

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LIORA FARBER

Jerusalem, January 27.

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CHANGES IN MATRICULATION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Last week, I read in your paper about changes which are to take place in the matriculation examinations. Later that morning, I went to my place of work, a local high school, and, on inquiring from the headmaster what these changes were going to be, I was surprised to hear that he knew nothing about them because he hadn't had time to read the morning paper.

This is the second time in recent years that the Ministry of Education has made this sort of announcement to the press or in the Knesset about changes in the high school system before anyone in the schools was even asked if the changes were feasible of desirable.

Two years ago, Mr. Allon made fools of all the teachers in the country when he announced a new system of matriculation examinations in the Knesset before a syllabus was ready. The teachers looked very silly when a pupil who had read the paper before they had had a chance to do so knew more about the "new system" than the teacher did. Mr. Allon was not called upon to explain why the new system was not going to be started in the next year as he had promised. It was left to the teachers to explain to the disappointed pupils that the Ministry did not have the budget for the new system.

FAY MORRIS

Ramat Gan, January 29.

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Spanish dictionary cleansed

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Having regard to the support and coverage you have afforded me during my campaign for the removal of the derogatory, defamatory and wholly deplorable and unwarranted definitions of the word Jew from the Oxford English dictionaries — and my High Court action against the publishers, the Clarendon Press of Oxford — may I point out that I recently came across derogatory definitions of Jews and religion in the "Popular Spanish Language Salvat Dictionary" published in Barcelona and distributed in South America.

Among definitions for Jew was: "usurer," "excessive and scandalous profits," "miser," and others equally offensive.

I complained to the Spanish Embassy in London, and I have received a letter signed by Mr. Luis Villalba, the Minister for Cultural Affairs. He writes: "I immediately initiated enquiries in Spain. I have now received a reply from the Editorial Salvat, regarding the definition of "Jew" as given in their dictionary. I am informed that the basic lexical content of the dictionary was written in 1967 and corresponds to that contained in the Dictionary of the Spanish Royal Academy. At the time modifications were made to the latter, the Salvat Dictionary was already in print.

"However, since then a new edition has been published by Salvat, and this contains the altered text, of which you will no doubt approve, bringing it into line with the modifications already made by the Spanish Royal Academy. I enclose photo-copies of the old and the new text for your perusal, together with other entries relating to Judaism, which may be of interest to you."

I am satisfied that the new Salvat Dictionary is free from the offensive definitions of the word Jew.

Each dictionary, book or play which perpetuates libels on Jewry, is a carrier of one of the world's oldest social diseases — anti-Semitism.

MARCUS SHLOIMOVITZ

Salford, Lancashire, January 23.

PLEASE WRITE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Members of our Regional Board would very much like to correspond with English-speaking Israelis.

All those interested in establishing such a letter-writing relationship, please write to me with a sentence or two about yourself so that we can pair you with someone who we believe would be compatible with your interests.

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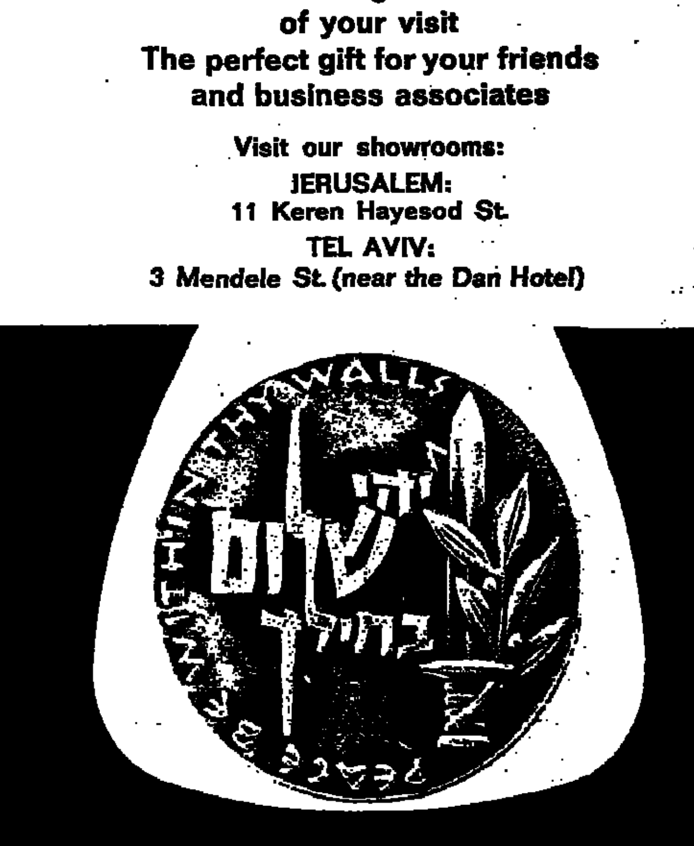

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GOLDMANN AND CHAMBERLAIN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

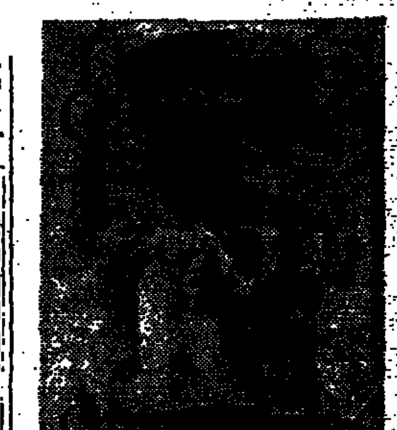
Sir, — The World Jewish Congress meets in Jerusalem in February. Their leader is Nahum Goldmann, who is known for the following statement: "The... Western world would not... 25 years after Auschwitz sit quietly by were there any attempt to destroy Israel."

This flies in the face of several events. In 1967, the world stared with bated breath, sure it was about to see a second Holocaust. No nation moved to stop it. In 1973, it was clear at the end of a week that Israel was in bad trouble. What did the world do? Most of Africa accused Israel of aggression and broke off relations. England stopped shipment on arms and spare parts already contracted for. And every European nation but one refused use of their ports for an airlift to save Israel.

Well, Dr. Goldmann was right, of course: they did not sit quietly by. I do not understand him. Does the World Jewish Congress really stand behind his Neville Chamberlain attitude?

ROBERT GREENGARD

Holon, January 26.



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